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221 E. Jackson St., Elkhart, Ind.

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Order early as our large stock will soon be gone.

Shoes

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Rubbers

..Away Down

On January 1, 1900, the boot and shoe stock of A. S. Miles will be consolidated with this, and in order to make room it will be necessary to greatly reduce my stock.

If you wear shoes

Now is your time to buy, as prices will be cut so deep that it will be impossible to keep goods on our shelves any length of time, we want them to move and to move quickly.

This sale will continue until January 1, 1900. The stock is unbroken now and you are sure of a fit.

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113 Pipestone Street...

Holiday Books

A choice selection now on exhibition at Lowe & Witherspoon's. Most of the latest books now on sale and will order any that is called for. We have in stock the following list:

Manders, by Elwin Barron.
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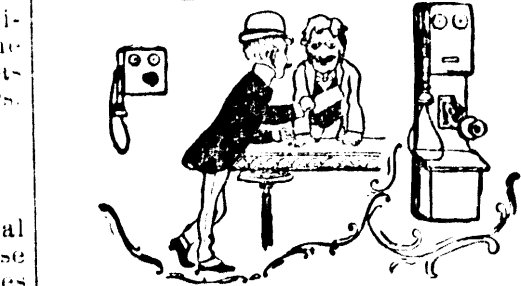
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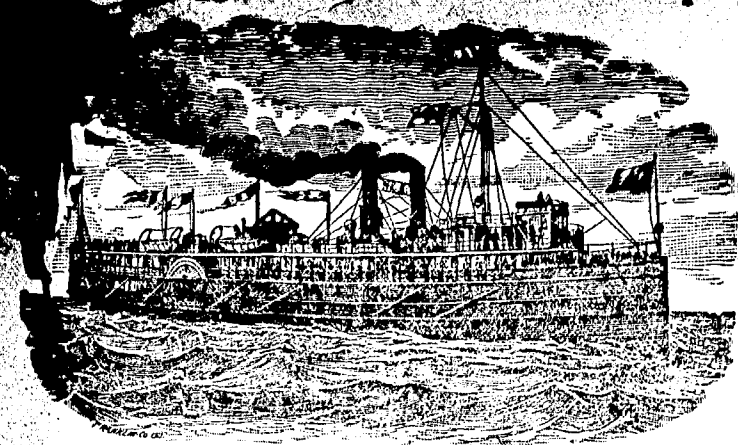
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FLOUR—Neglected and barely steady, closing a little firmer on the late strength in wheat.

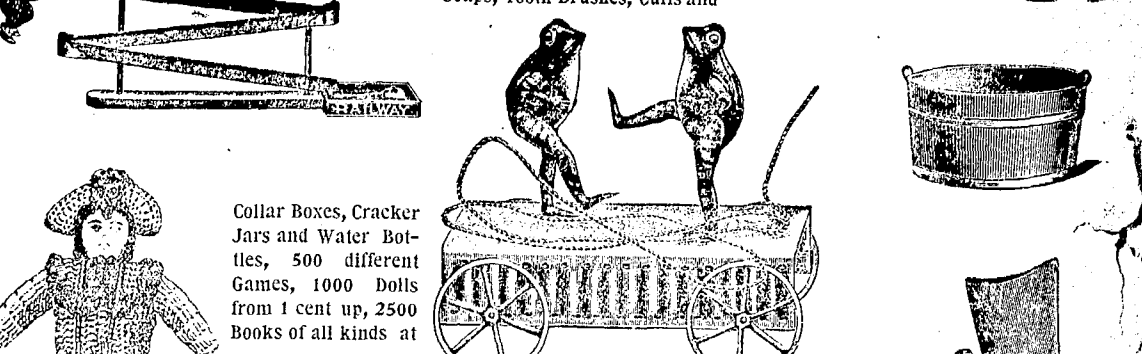
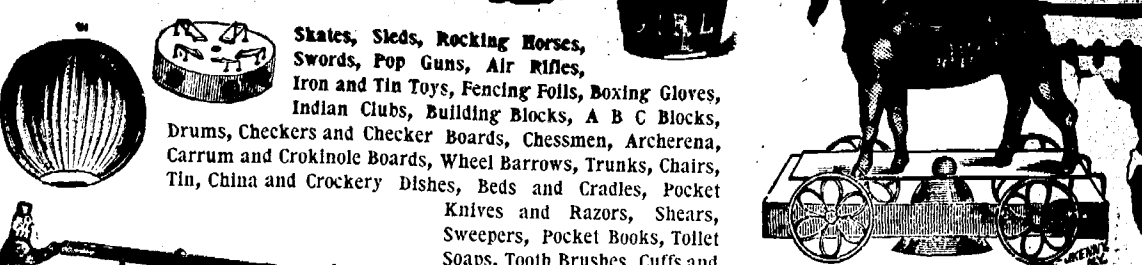
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BUTTER—Steady. Western dairy, 23 1/2c; June creamery, 22 1/2c; factory, 15 1/2c. CHEESE—Steady. Full made fancy small, 12 1/2c; do, fancy large, 12 1/2c; 12 1/2c; late made small, 12 1/2c; large late made, 11 1/2c.

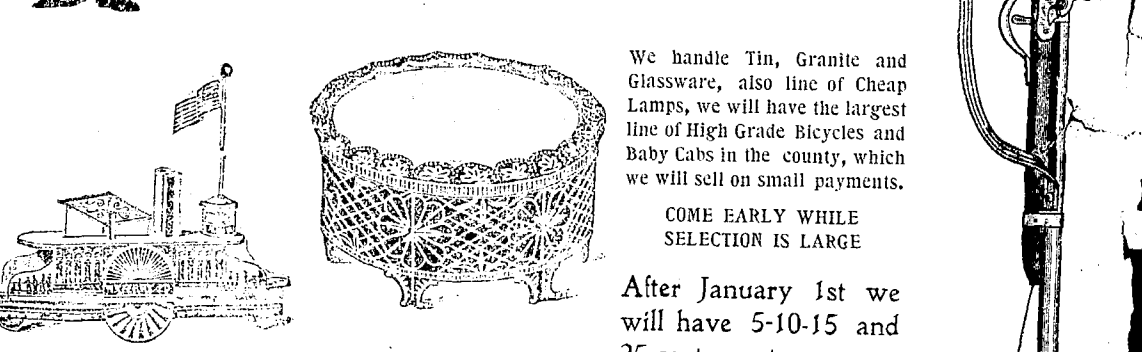
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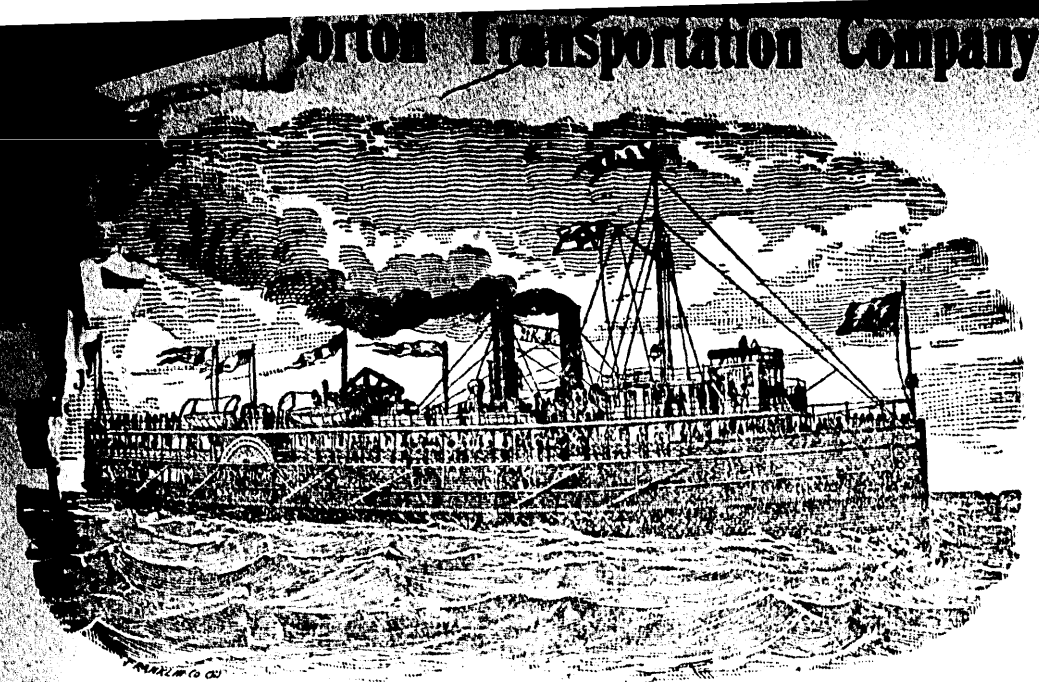
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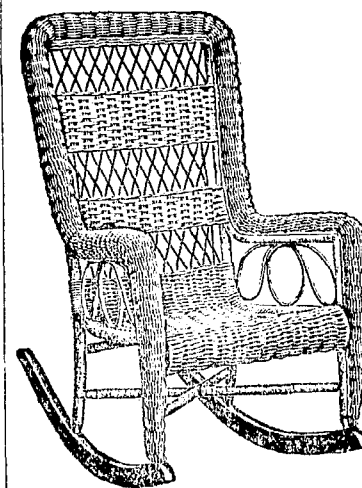
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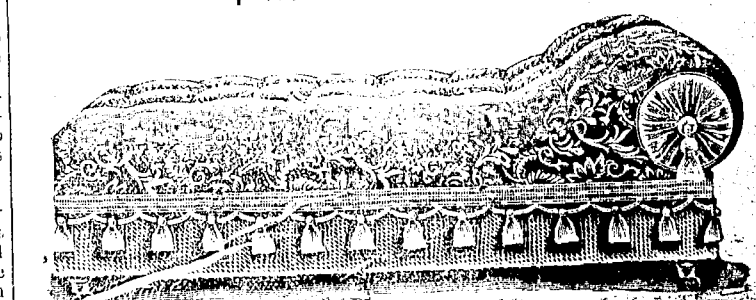
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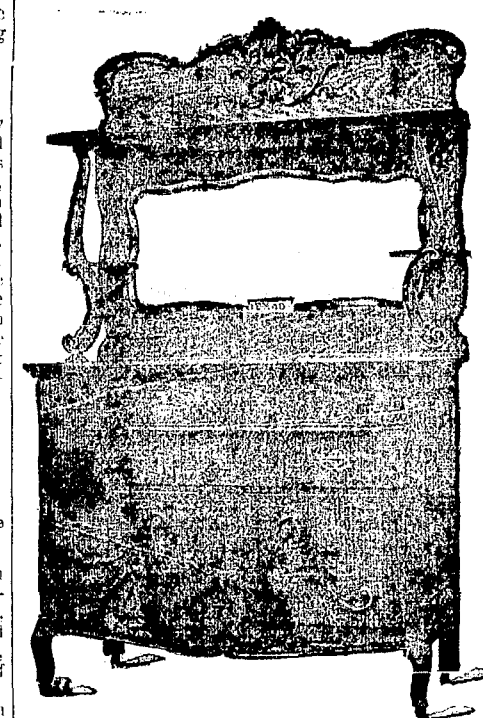
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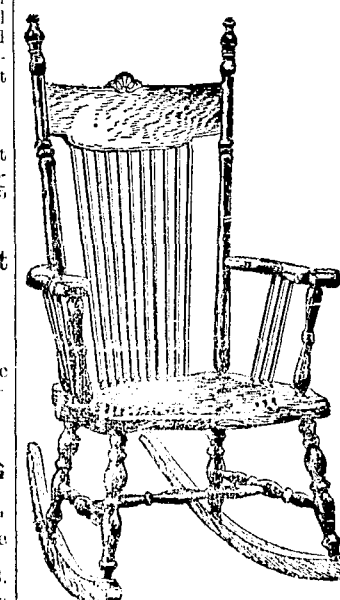
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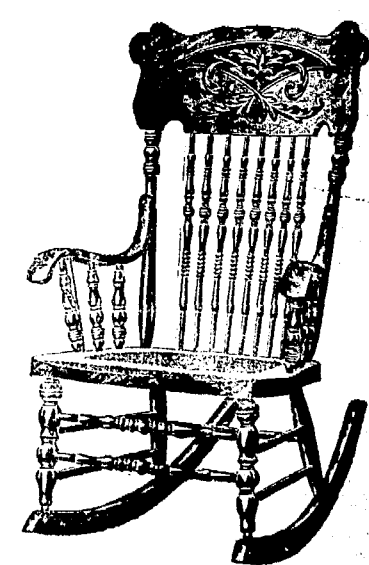
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Under these circumstances a decree will be granted awarding the custody of the children to the complainant. But certain conditions must be attached to the mother must not only be allowed to visit the children at their home, but the children must be allowed to visit their mother and remain with her over night. Neither of the children shall be removed from the twin cities of St. Joseph and Benton Harbor by either party without order of this court after the age of fourteen years shall be attained.

I have already determined that permanent alimony should be allowed the defendant. The value of complainant's in the stock of goods owned by him and his brother, it is impossible to ascertain, according to the testimony the indebtedness of the firm nearly equals its assets. The credit of the firm, however, appears to be good; the business is large and the good-will of the business is probably valuable. The firm seems to enjoy a fair share of public confidence and patronage. The real estate of complainant may be valued at from \$7,000 to \$9,000. The decree of the court should be by way of periodic advances. I think the defendant should be allowed the sum of three hundred and sixty dollars per year for

ten years, to be paid quarterly in sums of \$90.00, the first payment to be made by January 1st next. The defendant shall have a lien on all the real estate of complainant to secure the payment of these provisions. Defendant must release her right of dower in complainant's real estate.

The parties can agree upon a gross sum in present if they so choose.

THE BABY PRIZES

Those to Be Awarded at the Universalist Fair.

Interest is daily growing in the bazar to be given next week by the ladies of the Universalist church. The fair will be held at Conkey's hall on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings.

Two prizes have been offered in the baby show contest. Mr. Poundstone will give a dozen cabinet photographs to the prettiest baby under one year of age and Teetzel & Hamilton will present the prettiest one between one and two years old with a solid silver cup.

A handsome doll donated by Wallace Bros., with a costume presented by Enders & Young and Mrs. Ida Parks is to be given away, and there will be numerous other attractive features to make the affair pleasing to all. Look out for further announcements and don't forget the dates.

WILL COST MORE.

Blackensderfer Typewriter Will Advance in Price January 1.

James K. Blackensderfer, agent for the celebrated Blackensderfer typewriter, has received the following circular from the manufacturers of the machine:

Owing to the increased cost of materials and labor, it has been decided to raise the price of our Blackensderfer typewriter from \$2.98 to \$3.50, effective January 1st.

As the pioneers in the typewriter writing machines we regret to find that we are obliged to take a step and we sincerely trust that our patrons will approve our action.

The managers of ways small has been times and they speedily in the increased cost of production, but we feel assured that the public would much rather pay the slight advance made necessary than that the high standard of material and workmanship should be lowered.

The BLACKENSDERFER MFG. CO. Until January 1 Mr. Faernum will sell the Blackensderfer at the old price and anyone contemplating buying should see him at once.

Brave Men Fall

Victims to stomach, liver and kidney troubles as well as women, and all the results in loss of appetite, poisons in the blood, backache, nervousness, headache and tired, listless, random feeling. But there's no need to feel like that. J. W. Garmon, of Detroit, Ind., says: "Electric Bitters are just the thing for a man when he don't care whether he lives or dies. It gave me new strength and good appetite. I can now eat anything and have a new lease on life." Only 50 cents at Lowe & Witherspoon's drug store. Every bottle guaranteed.

Fresh daily candy at Wallace Bros.

NEW LUMBER STOCK.

Capt. McDonald Has Added Large Stock in His Line.

EDITOR NEWS: I have just built an addition to the Stock Exchange building, corner East Main and Wall streets, have put in a carload of windows and doors, also linoleum, stucco, hair, building paper and a complete line of paints and oils.

I have between one and two million shingles on hand; in fact a full line of building material and can furnish a bill from a chicken-coop to a palace. Would be glad to receive a share of the public's patronage. Thanking all for past favors, I remain, Yours very truly, JAMES MCDONALD.

The business man's lunch served at the Hotel Phoenix lunch counter is attracting much favorable comment. 15 cents pays the bill.

Dr. S. M. White dentist

Fresh daily candy at Wallace Bros.

Old papers for sale at this office.

Michigan's famous cigar, Columbian, 16 cents.

A. E. NICHOLS

FOR LIGHT DRAYING

Also for Feed, Flour, Hay and Grain.

Office and store across from News office.

All goods promptly delivered.

Tel., store, 536. Tel., residence, 4183.

Money to Loan

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APPLY TO

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115 Territorial Street.

Life Insurance Policies bought for Cash.

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First class in every particular.

Rates \$1.25 and \$1.50 per day.

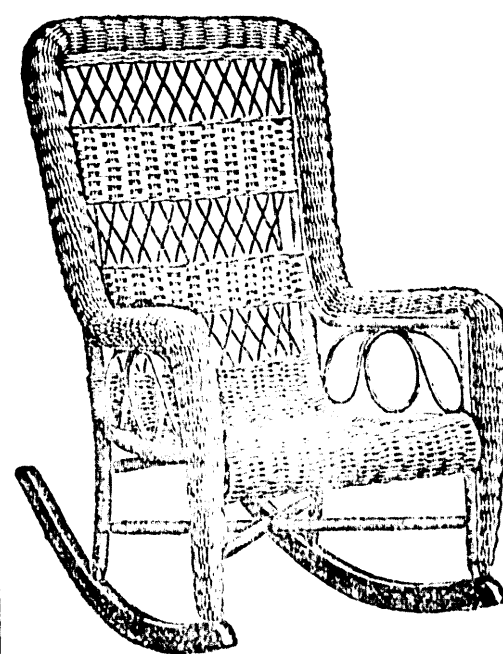
Special Rates to Weekly Boarders.

The Winning Horse

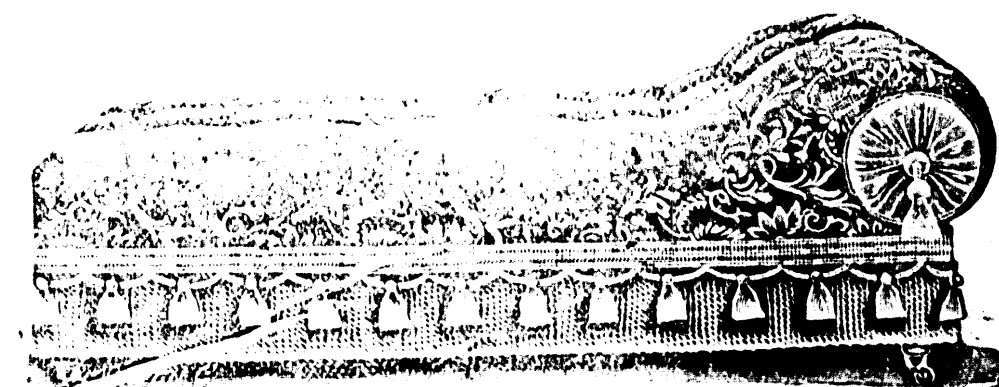
Never cares how many or what others trot on the same track; he takes first money and his oats before the others come in sight.

Christmas . Bargains

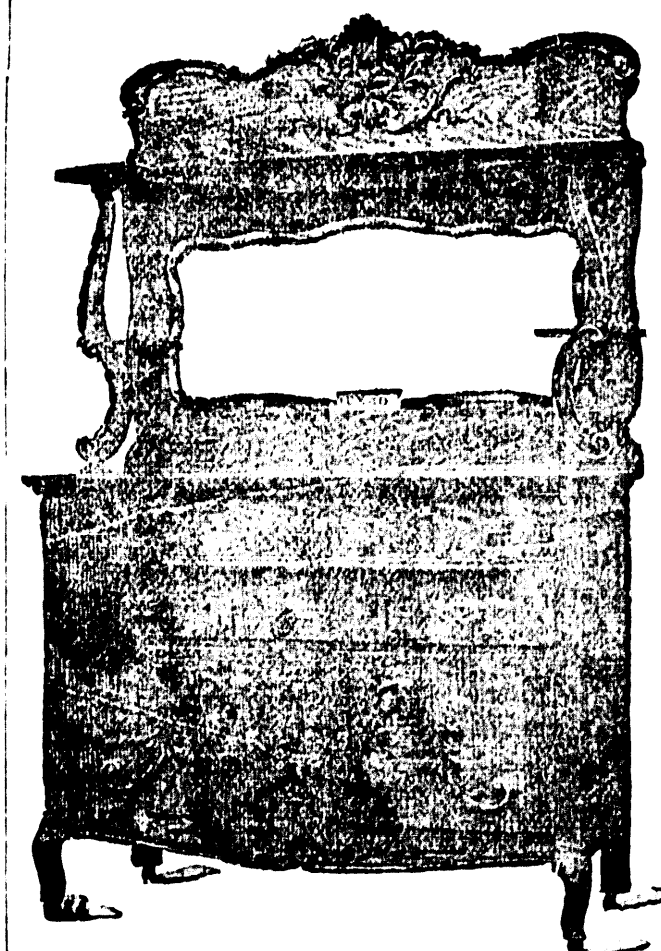
At our store are as plenty as rubber balloons at a state fair.



Worth \$5.00 \$2 98



Best couch in the country for \$5.50



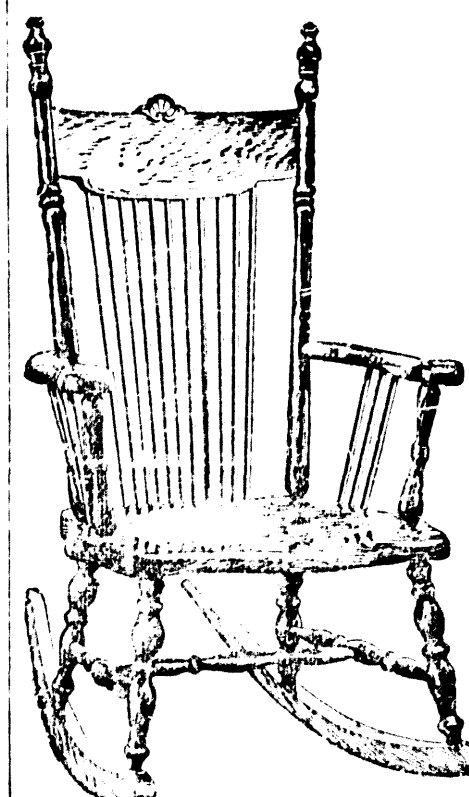
Sideboards

In Plain Plate, \$15 00

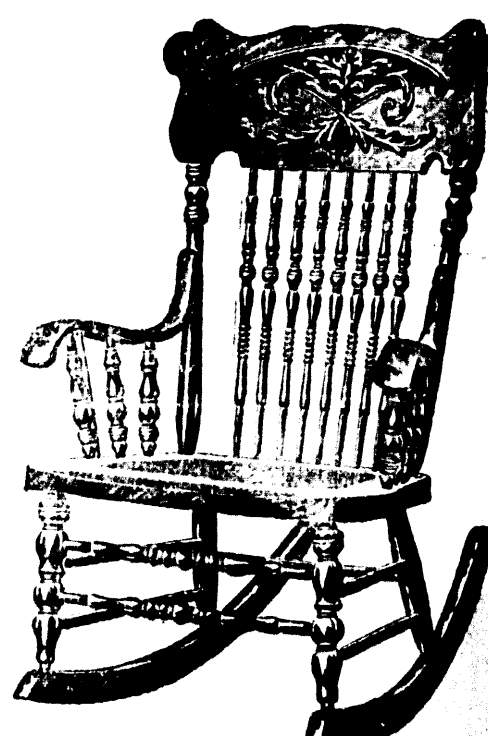
Pattern Plate, \$18 00

Smaller Sizes for \$12 00

We are in the king row on these goods. Nothing in the market to compare with them...



\$2.15



\$1.68

A fine Peninsular base burner for \$20, the largest and best line of steel ranges in western Michigan. Lamps, Glassware and Crocks. Everything to furnish a home and everything in sensible Christmas presents.

C. J. Peck &

115-117 East Main St

North Pole, Dec. 14, 1899.

Yours respectfully

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About 50 pieces of colored novelty Dress Goods,
all new styles, worth 50 and 60c. for 39c.



A nice line of Plaids for 10c a yd., regular price 15c a yd.

We made a silk purchase from a large eastern house, stock bought for 50c on the dollar. They are swell styles and have marked goods very cheap.

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Choice of about 100 Children's Jackets,
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We have a new and complete line made especially for our holiday trade. Fit and workmanship guaranteed. price \$5.00.

Made from Cheviots, Plaids, Crepons, prices reduced to \$3.98.



Also Embroidery Silks, Battenberg Designs and materials.

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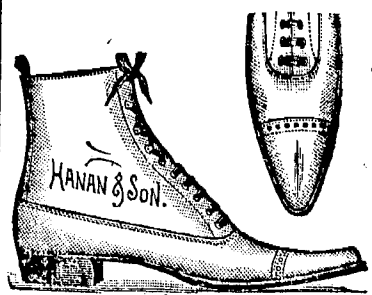
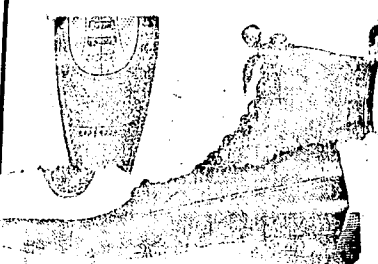
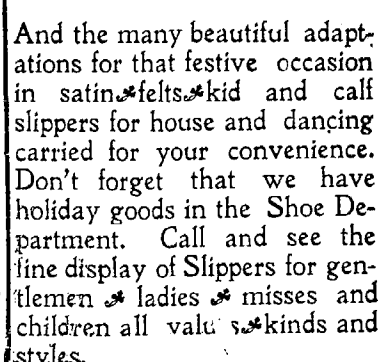
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Serviceable Christmas presents. Fancy blankets, white wool blankets, gray blankets, white wool blankets soft finish, large sizes, price \$5 00 a pair. Fancy cotton blankets (fleece) at 48c, 59c, 75c and up to \$1 50 a pair. Comforts at 75c, \$1 00 \$1 50 and up to \$3 00 each.

Ladies' Eiderdown Dressing Sacques in plnk, red; blue, gray and fancy stripes at \$1.00, \$1.50 and \$2.00.

The largest stock in Southwestern Michigan. Women's hemstitched, embroidered edge at 10, 12½, 15, 25, 50c and up to \$2.00 each. Women's scalloped and embroidered edge, 5, 10, 12½, 15, 25c and up to \$2.00. Men's pure linen handkerchiefs at 15, 25 and 50c. Men's Japanese silk handkerchiefs, 25, 50, 75c and up to \$1.00. Handkerchiefs for the children.



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142 Pipestone Street.
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FRIDAY, DEC. 15, 1899.

THE PHILIPPINES

Resolution in the House Recognizing Their Independence.

IT IS OFFERED BY MR. WILLIAMS.

Provides for Withdrawal of Our Forces, Conditioned Upon the Re-funding to United States of the \$20,000,000 Paid to Spain.

Washington, Dec. 15. — Two joint resolutions were introduced in the house of representatives Tuesday by Representative Williams of Mississippi, which are the result of consultation among a number of democratic leaders in the house and are understood to be expressive of their general position on the Philippines. The first resolution declares the intention and purpose to recognize the independence of the Philippines and withdraw our land and sea forces, provided the independent government agrees to refund the \$20,000,000 paid by the United States to Spain, to give us a suitable naval and coaling station and grant in perpetuity free access to their ports.

Another section pledges our friendly assistance and also pledges against foreign interference or aggression for ten years, during which time the foreign affairs of the island are to be under American control.

The other resolution asks for information relative to the conclusion of a treaty with the sultan of Jolo and provides for an inquiry by the judiciary committee as to whether the constitutional provisions against slavery and the statutory provisions against polygamy apply to the Sulu people.

House.
Washington, Dec. 15.—The debate on the currency bill in the house Thursday was tame and prosaic. The attendance both in the galleries and on the floor was light, and none of the speeches made attracted especial attention. Mr. Sibley (dem., Pa.), who has publicly announced his change of views on the money question and who it was thought might vote for the bill, stated that he would vote against it. Mr. Thayer, a Massachusetts democrat, was the only member of the opposition who made a speech for the bill.

Senate Session.
Washington, Dec. 15.—When the senate convened Thursday Senator Aldrich asked for a temporary postponement of the resolution until it could be ascertained whether the democrats would be ready to announce their committee assignments. He added that in case they were not so prepared he would ask the senate to sit Friday in order that the appointments to committees could be made. In obedience to this request, Senator Hale, who had moved the adjournment, withdrew the motion.

Philippine Resolution Killed.
Senator Pettigrew's resolution asking for information as to whether the flag of the Philippine republic had ever been saluted by the American forces in the Philippines came up. Senator Chandler moved to lay the resolution on the table. Senator Pettigrew asked a withdrawal of the motion, but this was declined.

Senator Chandler said that every word of the resolution and speeches made upon it would be cable to Manila. Senator Pettigrew called for the yeas and noes on the motion to lay on the table. The vote resulted 41 yeas to 20 nays.

The senate agreed to the house resolution for a Christmas holiday adjournment on the 24th of December until the 3d of January and then at 1:05 p. m. adjourned.

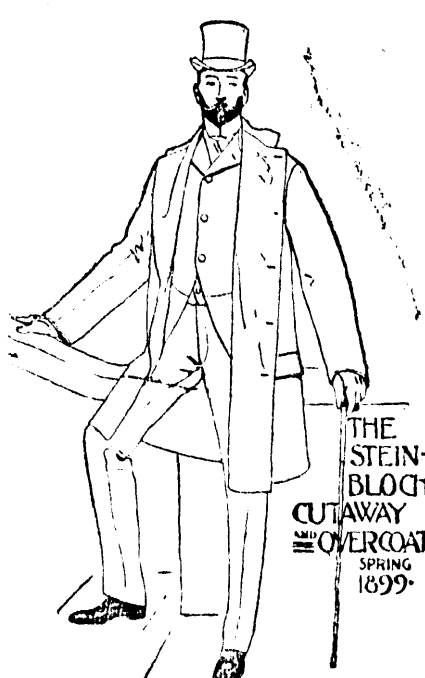
Says Bill Will Pass.

Washington, Dec. 15. — Representative Overstreet, of Indiana, in charge of the financial bill now under consideration in the house of representatives, said that the informal canvasses thus far made showed that the bill would pass on the final vote next Monday by a majority of about 30, in case the full strength of both sides was present. This is based on the calculation that the full republican vote, 185, and eight democratic votes, will be recorded for the bill, and that seven other democratic members will refrain from voting. Mr. Overstreet says it is established beyond question that not one republican vote will be recorded against the bill.

Deafness Cannot be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when the tube is closed deafness is the result. Unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to normal condition, hearing will be lost forever; nine cases out of ten are cured by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the surfaces.

Give One Hundred Dollars for Cure of Deafness (caused by catarrh) cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure, and for circulars, free, write to J. C. Hall, 150, N. 3rd St., St. Louis, Mo. They are the best.



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Seasonable Weather Creates a Demand for Seasonable Goods

We have them every month in the year. December is also the month in which to make your holiday purchases for presents and Christmas greetings, and there is no more acceptable present than something pretty and useful in wearing apparel. Our Clothing Department is full of the bright new things, such as Smoking Jackets, Mufflers, Gloves, Mittens, Suspenders, Hats and Caps, Fine Linen and Silk Handkerchiefs, Fine Umbrellas, Men's, Boys' and Children's Clothing, Fine Traveling Bags and Dress Suit Cases, and in fact everything that goes to make a boy or gentleman happy. We also have about 200 more of those Gents' Business Suits at \$7.90 each, were \$10 to \$15; 250 more of those Gents' Business Suits at \$6.50 each, were \$9 to \$12.50. A large and well assorted stock of Men's, Boys' and Children's Overcoats, Ulsters and Reefers at 10 to 25 per cent discount to close them out.



A LETTER FROM SANTA CLAUS

North Pole, Dec. 14, 1899.

To Good People of Benton Harbor, St. Joseph and Surrounding Country:

"I just returned from a shopping tour and have visited each and every store in your vicinity and find ENDERS & YOUNG'S BIG DEPARTMENT STORES headquarters for beautiful and useful articles for Christmas presents. And the above firm has agreed to give you special prices on all your holiday purchases.

Yours respectfully

SANTA CLAUS.

P. S.—Quotations made by firm.

Fine Dress Goods



Make elegant Christmas presents. Black and colored Dress Goods at tempting prices.

Mohair and Silk Crepons, Blister Crepons, new lot and prices from 50c up to \$2.50 per yard.

52 inch all wool double warp Cheviot Serges, price \$1, for 75c.

All wool French Broadcloth, all colors, for \$1 per yd.

About 50 pieces of colored novelty Dress Goods, all new styles, worth 50 and 60c, for 39c.

Plaids

A nice line of Plaids for 10c a yd., regular price 15c a yd.

Silks for Gifts

We made a silk purchase from a large eastern house, stock bought for 50c on the dollar. They are swell styles and have marked goods very cheap.

Cloak Department

We have reduced prices so as to permit you to make a gift of high grade garments:

Jackets we sold for \$10, now \$7.50.

Jackets we sold for \$12 now \$9.98.

Jackets we sold for \$16.50 and \$15, now \$11.98.

Golf Capes, made of fancy golf material in plaids and beautiful colorings, worth \$12, our price \$8.98.



One Lot

Misses' Jackets

Choice of about 100 Children's Jackets, good style for \$3.98.

Silk Waists

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Dress Skirts

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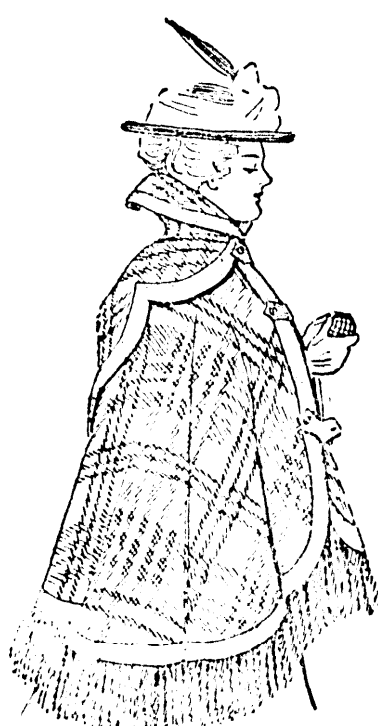
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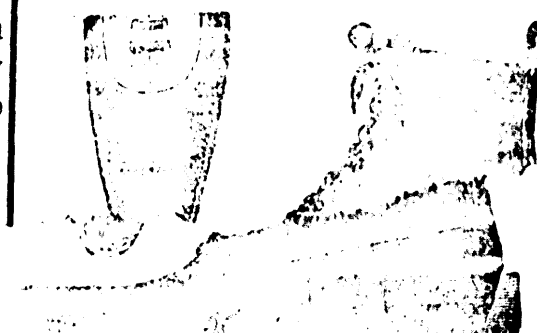
Ladies' Elderdown Dressing Sacques in pink, red, blue, gray and fancy stripes at \$1.00, \$1.50 and \$2.00.

Christmas Handkerchiefs

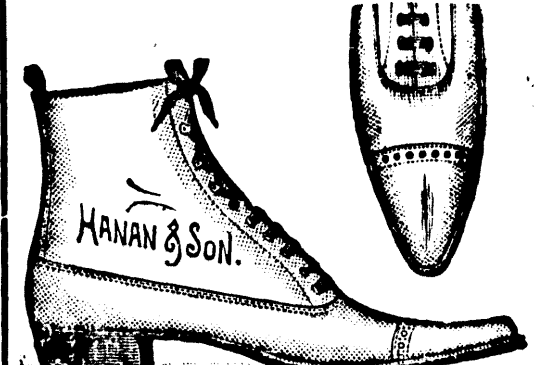
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Heralding the Approach of Christmastide

And the many beautiful adaptations for that festive occasion in satin, felts, kid and calf slippers for house and dancing carried for your convenience. Don't forget that we have holiday goods in the Shoe Department. Call and see the line display of Slippers for gentlemen, ladies, misses and children all valuable kinds and styles.



Some striking beauties in ladies' satins, prices \$1.00 to \$1.50.
Some striking beauties in ladies' fur trimmed slippers for \$1.50.
Some striking beauties in misses' fur trimmed slippers for \$1.00.
Some striking beauties in child's fur trimmed slippers for 90c.
A fine lot of gentlemen's Romeo slippers in tan and black at \$1.50.
A fine lot of gentlemen's fine leather and patent slippers from 60c to \$2.00.
A fine lot of gentlemen's fine dancing pumps at \$1.75.
A large stock of men's box calf shoes, worth \$3.00, at \$1.98.
A large stock of men's tan calf shoes, worth \$3.00, at \$1.98.
A large stock of men's rubber boots, \$2.50, \$2.70, \$2.90. Snag proof, \$3.40.
One lot of men's rubbers at 49c per pair.
One lot ladies' fine shoes, fancy vesting and kid tops, at \$2.50.
One lot ladies' fine box calf shoes from \$2.49 to \$3.50.
One lot ladies' winter tan shoes at \$2.49.
Our overgaiters and leggings are just the thing for this kind of weather, from 25c to \$1.50 each.
New lot of men's canvas leggings, heavy duck, at 50, 65 and 75c.
Your especial attention is called to our general stock of nice up-to-date footwear for gentlemen, ladies, misses, boys and children.



ENDERS & YOUNG'S BIG DEPARTMENT STORES BENTON HARBOR, MICH.

NEW TAX LAW

Milo D. Campbell Talks for Justice to all.

Supervisors Will Be More Strict Next Year.

Hon. Milo D. Campbell, president of the state tax commission, addressed the state convention of farmers club at Lansing, December 12 and among other things said:

The supervisor has called at your country home. He found your farms uncovered. The cattle and sheep, unsuspecting his mission, were in the front fields or about the barn and ready to make his acquaintance. He had his map along, and he got every acre that God ever spread out in your township and he wrote it down in his book. The summer months, too, have come and gone. Your crops have been sown, tilled and harvested, and the soil is now resting for the year nineteen hundred. Your farms have had their enemies. While you were plowing or sinking the ancient boulder beneath its reach, the bugs were multiplying in the potatoes, the weeds were growing in the field, the gate was sagging and the wind was blowing the rails from the fence.

In order to form an estimate of the total amount of all taxes raised upon real and personal property in this state by direct taxation, I took the three counties of Branch, Van Buren and Marquette, whose returns in the office of the auditor general were complete, as a basis for such estimate. In these three counties, the taxes to be raised this year, including state, county, town, city and village, are as follows:

Marquette.....	\$334,098 61
Van Buren.....	235,778 31
Branch.....	208,874 50

Estimating these amounts by the population of Michigan, there will be raised by direct taxation upon Michigan property this year, \$20,015,186.

The property upon which this amount is raised is assessed at less than 972 millions of dollars.

In other words, property assessed at 972 millions of dollars pays 20 millions of dollars taxes, while railroad property, with an estimated value of 190 millions, pays \$3,036,775.06, or approximately, one million dollars of taxes—the class to which your property belongs paying upon an average in the state more than two per cent up a assessed valuation, and the other paying but a half of one per cent upon its real value.

Not one single dollar of taxes is collected from the chair, palace, dining and sleeping car companies doing business in this state, and not a penny from the great freight car lines with their thousands of cars traversing our roads every day in the year, and all because of our inadequate and defective laws. Our sister states are forcing these companies to contribute their taxes as upon other property. How much longer Michigan will leave them on the exempt list and levy the burden upon real estate is not quite yet known.

Ninety-eight per cent of the railroads, mines, telegraph and express properties of the state are owned by non-residents of Michigan. That property is just as much entitled to equality and justice as the log house and forty acres, but no more.

Our lumber and timber interests are scarcely touched with taxes. The great water transportation companies have untold millions invested in boats. They gird our shores with unbroken bands of smoke and sail and scarcely know that we have a law of taxation.

On the second Monday of next April, the supervisor will be due again. He may not reach us on that day, but any taxable property then held will be subject to assessment. When he comes he will have more than his assessment roll: he will have a bundle of blank statements, and one of them must be filled out, signed and sworn to by every taxpayer. It will not be discretionary as heretofore with the supervisor to require it or not.

The supervisor will have more. He will have a record of every live mortgage upon Michigan property owned by residents of his town. Upon these mortgage slips he will be expected and required to make a return to the tax commission, showing at how much it was assessed, what was claimed as off-set, to whom the off-setting indebtedness was due residence and amount. If partly paid, how much is remaining. Owners of mortgages will hardly venture to claim more has been paid than has been received, through fear that these preserved slips may sometime turn up as evidence of payment in the hands of the mortgagee.

We are told that men will only double their energies in assigning to citizens of foreign states and in the use of other false covers.

It is but a few hours farther to Illinois, Ohio, Indiana and New York than to many parts of Michigan, and the slips of mortgages owned in other states will be sent there for assessment.

If we lose the tax ourselves our neighbors may get it and we profit by reciprocity.

These remedies, with our criminal laws for perjury in the making of false statements, may not be pleasant for some to contemplate who have hitherto enjoyed the collecting of interest without the payment of taxes.

Brown owns a farm that he knows to be worth \$5,000. The supervisor in a patronizing spirit puts it down at \$4,000 and somehow skips a cow and ten sheep. Brown congratulates himself that he stands in with the supervisor. He never asks or questions the assessment of Smith or Jones who have been assessed on but one-half or a third val-

ue and not a cent on mortgages or credits.

Brown never considers that his one dollar advantage has cost him five. Our whole assessment system has been one of flirtation. Citizens have not only the right but they ought to inquire, how others than themselves are assessed. Taxation is a partnership matter and every partner ought to interest himself in the business and see that others contribute their share of the expenses. It is a false conception that to do so is meddling with other people's affairs. What harm could arise if local newspapers were to publish the assessed values, real and personal, against every taxpayer? It would be interesting and proper. Would it not repay the expense many fold?

If a farmer puts a half bushel of small apples in the middle of a barrel and sells it on the market, it affords ample excuse for millions of water in the middle of some corporation to be sold at par and afterward paid for by the consumer.

The farmer, when discovered is arrested, disgraced and sent to jail, and it is well known how we serve the others.

Tonight some New Jersey, Delaware or other combination with its tentacles reaching into every town and state, decrees that the price of iron, leather, coal, sugar or any of a thousand articles, shall be raised ten or a hundred per cent, and the morning finds it done.

The farmers in their millions of homes scattered out among the hills, and the toilers for bread, must pay the price as a hostage for their liberty and right to live.

The farm today is about the only territory over which God has retained any jurisdiction in the administration of his somewhat antiquated law of supply and demand.

But though you may, for a time at least, be forced to buy of monopoly and to sell in competition, so sure as God reigns you are not compelled except by your passive consent to have levied upon you an unjust tribute of taxes that some octopus of foreign ownership may escape, or that your neighbor may ride scot free while you are lifting upon the wheel of his wagon.

Paid Dear For His Leg.

B. D. Blanton, of Thackerville, Tex., in two years paid over \$300.00 to doctors to cure a Running Sore on his leg. Then they wanted to cut it off, but he cured it with one box of Bucklen's Arnica Salve. Guaranteed cure for Piles. 25 cts. a box. Sold by Lowe & Witherspoon, druggists.

HOUSE BAZAAR.

Presbyterian Ladies Will Hold it This Week.

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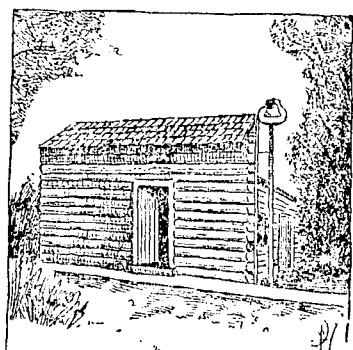
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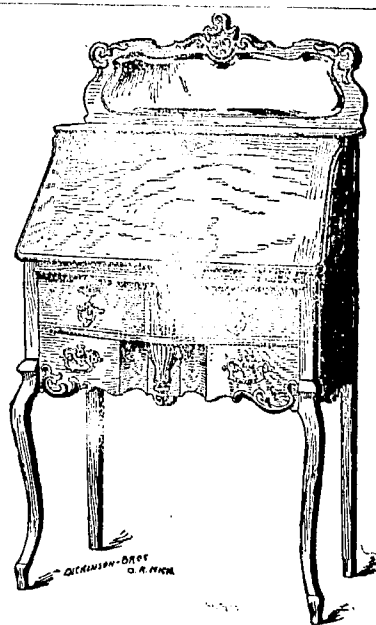
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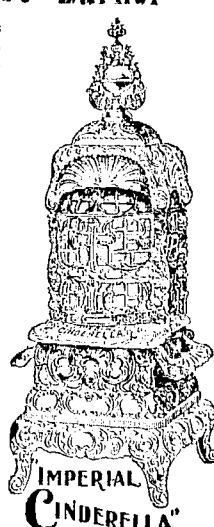


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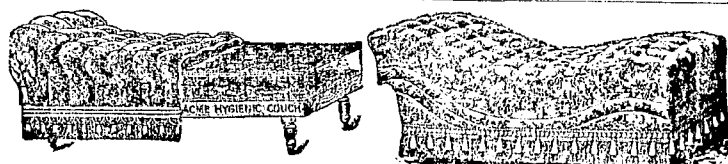
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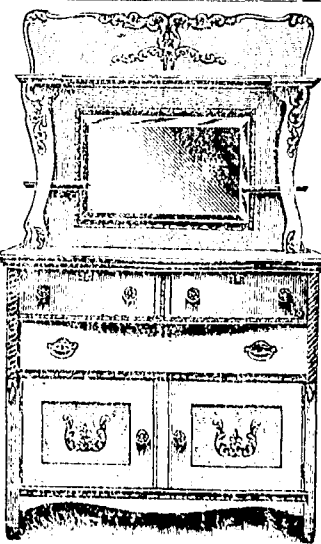
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NEW TAX LAW

Milo D. Campbell Talks for Justice to all.

Supervisors Will Be More Strict Next Year.

Hon. Milo D. Campbell, president of the state tax commission, addressed the state convention of farmers club at Lansing, December 12 and among other things said:

The supervisor has called at your country home. He found your farms uncovered. The cattle and sheep, unsuspecting his mission, were in the front fields or about the barn and ready to make his acquaintance. He had his map along, and he got every acre that God ever spread out in your township and he wrote it down in his book. The summer months, too, have come and gone. Your crops have been sown, tilled and harvested, and the soil is now resting for the year nineteen hundred. Your farms have had their enemies. While you were plowing or sinking the ancient boulder beneath its reach, the bugs were multiplying in the potatoes, the weeds were growing in the field, the gate was sagging and the wind was blowing the rails from the fence.

In order to form an estimate of the total amount of all taxes raised upon real and personal property in this state by direct taxation, I took the three counties of Branch, Van Buren, and Marquette, whose returns in the office of the auditor general were complete, as a basis for such estimate. In these three counties, the taxes to be raised this year, including state, county, town, city and village, are as follows:

Marquette, \$334,098.61
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Branch, 208,574.00

Estimating these amounts by the population of Michigan, there will be raised by direct taxation upon Michigan property this year, \$20,015,180.

The property upon which this amount is raised is assessed at less than 972 millions of dollars. In other words, property assessed at 972 millions of dollars pays 20 millions of dollars taxes, while railroad property, with an estimated value of 190 millions, pays \$36,755.00, or approximately, one million dollars of taxes—the class to which your property belongs paying upon an average in the state more than two per cent upon assessed valuation, and the other paying but a half of one per cent upon its real value.

Not one single dollar of taxes is collected from the chair, palace, dining and sleeping car companies doing business in this state, and not a penny from the great freight car lines with their thousands of cars traversing our roads every day in the year, and all because of our inadequate and defective laws. Our sister states are forcing these companies to contribute their taxes as upon other property. How much longer Michigan will leave them on the exempt list and levy the burden upon real estate is not quite yet known. Ninety-eight per cent of the railroads, mines, telegraph and express properties of the state are owned by non-residents of Michigan. That property is just as much entitled to equality and justice as the log house and forty acres, but so more.

Our lumber and timber interests are scarcely touched with taxes. The great water transportation companies have untold millions invested in boats. They gird our shores with unbroken bands of smoke and sail and scarcely know that we have a law of taxation.

On the second Monday of next April, the supervisor will be due again. He may not reach us on that day, but any taxable property then held will be subject to assessment. When he comes he will have more than his assessment roll; he will have a bundle of blank statements, and one of them must be filled out, signed and sworn to by every taxpayer. It will not be discretionary as heretofore with the supervisor to require it or not.

The supervisor will have more. He will have a record of every live mortgage upon Michigan property owned by residents of his town. Upon these mortgage slips he will be expected and required to make a return to the tax commission, showing at how much it was assessed, what was claimed as debt set, to whom the off-setting indebtedness was due, residence and amount. If partly paid, how much is remaining. Owners of mortgages will hardly venture to claim more has been paid than has been received, through fear that these preserved slips may sometime turn up as evidence of payment in the hands of the mortgagee.

We are told that men will only double their energies in assailing to citizens of foreign states and in the use of other false covers.

It is but a few hours farther to Illinois, Ohio, Indiana and New York than to many parts of Michigan, and the slips of mortgages owned in other states will be sent there for assessment.

If we lose the tax ourselves our neighbors may get it and we profit by reciprocity.

These remedies, with our criminal laws for perjury in the making of false statements, may not be pleasant for some to contemplate who have hitherto enjoyed the collecting of interest without the payment of taxes.

Brown owns a farm that he knows to be worth \$5,000. The supervisor in a patronizing spirit puts it down at \$4,000 and somehow skips a cow and ten sheep. Brown congratulates himself that he stands in with the supervisor. He never asks or questions the assessment of Smith or Jones who have been assessed on but one-half or a third val-

ue and not a cent on mortgages or credits.

Brown never considers that his one dollar advantage has cost him five.

Our whole assessment system has been one of flirtation. Citizens have not only the right but they ought to inquire, how others than themselves are assessed. Taxation is a partnership matter and every partner ought to interest himself in the business and see that others contribute their share of the expenses. It is a false conception that to do so is meddling with other people's affairs. What harm could arise if local newspapers were to publish the assessed values, real and personal, against every taxpayer? It would be interesting and proper. Would it not repay the expense many fold?

If a farmer puts a half bushel of small apples in the middle of a barrel and sells it on the market, it affords ample excuse for millions of water in the middle of some corporation to be sold at par and afterward paid for by the consumer.

The farmer, when discovered is arrested, disgraced and sent to jail, and it is well known how we serve the others.

Tonight some New Jersey, Delaware or other combination with its tentacles reaching into every town and state, declares that the price of iron, leather, coal, sugar or any of a thousand articles, shall be raised ten or a hundred per cent, and the morning finds it done.

The farmers in their millions of homes scattered out among the hills, and the toilers for bread, must pay the price as a hostage for their liberty and right to live.

The farm today is about the only territory over which God has retained any jurisdiction in the administration of his somewhat antiquated law of supply and demand.

But though you may, for a time at least, be forced to buy of monopoly and to sell in competition, so sure as God reigns you are not compelled except by your passive consent to have levied upon you an unjust tribute of taxes that some octopus of foreign ownership may escape, or that your neighbor may ride scot free while you are lifting upon the wheel of his wagon.

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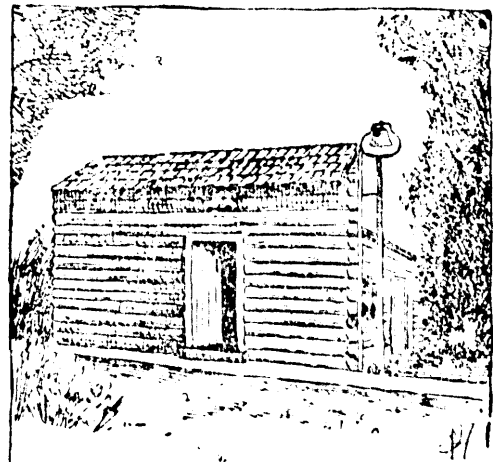
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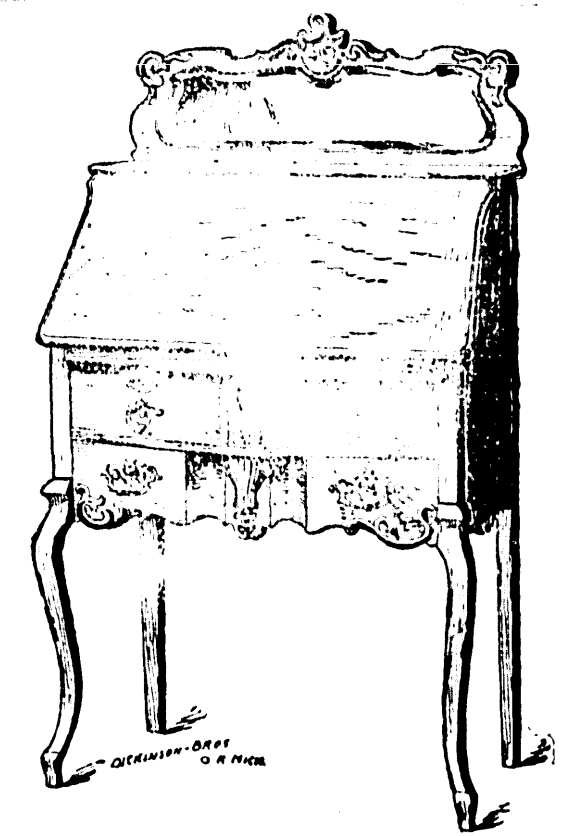
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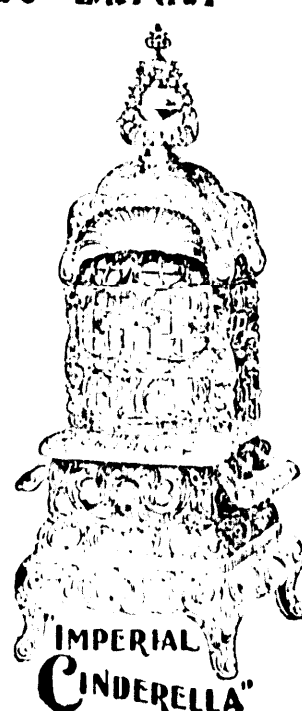


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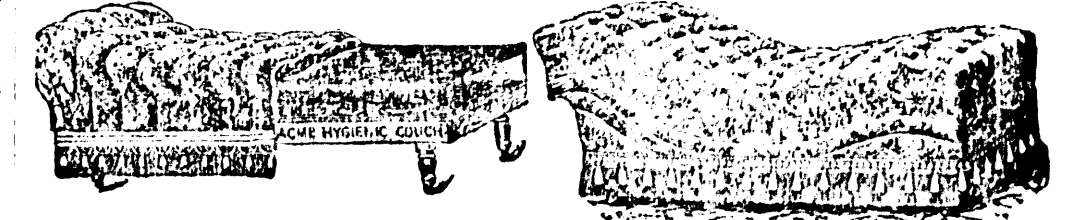
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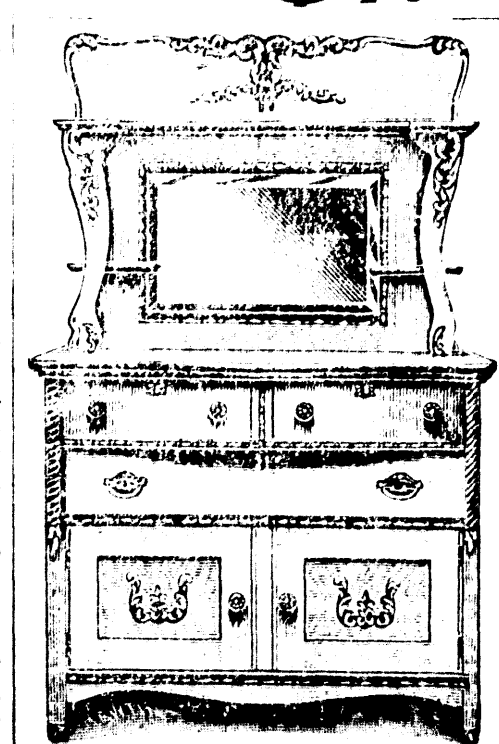
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BARON JOHANN VON BLOCH. (The Real Author of the International Peace Conference.)

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Treatment of Nose Bleed.

Epistaxis, or "nose bleed," is an affliction to which some individuals are exceedingly prone. As it is frequently merely an effort on the part of nature to relieve the system of a surplus amount of blood, it should not be checked unless the hemorrhage becomes excessive. One of the first measures to be employed for that means is the elevation of the head and arms. Next press the upper lip firmly against the base of the nose or nostrils. Snuffing up fine salt, tannin or powdered alum is effective, or a solution may be made of either and syringed into the nasal cavity; likewise common lemon juice or vinegar, remembering to have the patient keep his mouth open to permit the escape of the fluid. Do not allow him to bend over a basin. Applications of ice-cold compresses to the back of the neck and bridge of the nose are useful, and rendered more so by employing a very hot foot bath at the same time.

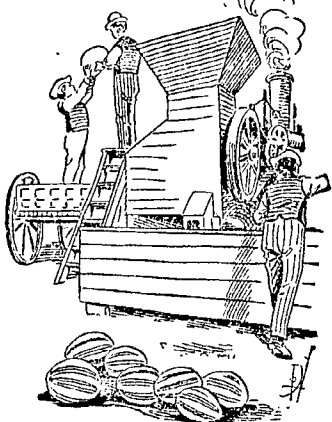
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While the rest of the country has been paying 15 and 20 cents a slice for watermelon at lunch, out in Kansas they have been thrashing them—yes, thrashing melons, throwing them into machines by the ton, smashing the rich, juicy fruit into useless pulp, and all to get the seeds. They have actually found it a profitable business.

This has been a great melon season in Kansas. The innumerable square miles of sand hill and waste, absolutely



THRASHING WATERMELONS.

(A New Industry Started This Year in Western Kansas.)

useless for ordinary farming, have been discovered to be invaluable for melon patches. The whole state went into the business in the spring, and the result was that 50-pound melons sold at two for a nickel in September.

Kansas ate her fill of melons, shipped all she could sell to any market at any price, and still found herself fairly carpeted with them. There were not people enough to eat the hundredth part of them, and something had to be done.

So somebody found that melon seeds had a marketable value as seeds—not in Kansas, of course, but in the rest of the country—and small though the game seemed, there were melons to burn, and they went into the business. Horse-power thrashers were devised, and all through September the state mashed up watermelons.

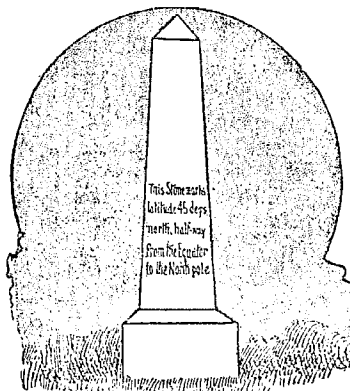
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The seeds are sold to the Chicago and eastern wholesale seed dealers. The price varies from eight to fifteen cents a pound, this year being rather low on account of the large yield. The yield to the acre runs from 150 to 300 pounds which, as the land is worth only five dollars or less, makes a good return. With an income of \$25 and the cost of raising estimated at eight to twelve dollars an acre giving fair wages for all work, this makes one of the most profitable crops that the western Kansas prairie lands can raise.

POLE AND EQUATOR.

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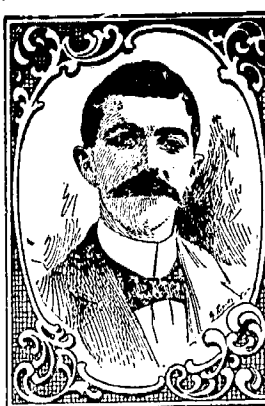
MIDWAY MONUMENT. (Shaft to Be Erected by the Government at North Perry, Me.)

which is to be erected within the next few days at one of the most central points in the village.

There is one church in North Perry, and the shaft will be placed on one side of the little path leading from the street to the church door. On the front of the pillar will be cut the words: "This stone marks latitude 45 degrees north, half way from the equator to the north pole."

Naturally this unexpected incident has set the people of North Perry in a flutter of excitement. There are only about 500 persons in the place and while the men earn their living by acting as guides to hunting parties and by working in lumber camps, the women and children earn a little money in the spring and early fall by picking berries and sending them to the canning factories. Not often do they take a holiday, but they are determined to have one on the day when the shaft is placed in position.

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St. Joseph	10:30	2:20	7:50		
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TIME TABLE.

Effective Sunday, October 22, 1899.

Going South				Going North			
No. 9	No. 3	No. 1		No. 2	No. 4	No. 10	
Dly	Dly	Dly		Dly	Dly	Dly	
ex.	ex.	ex.		ex.	ex.	ex.	
Sun.	Sun.	Sun.		Sun.	Sun.	Sun.	
p.m.	p.m.	a.m.		a.m.	p.m.	p.m.	
1:00	4:00	7:00	Benton Harbor	11:10	6:45	5:45	
1:13	4:09	7:09	*Somerset	11:01	6:35	5:30	
1:17	4:12	7:11	*Soudan	10:58	6:32	5:26	
1:22	4:16	7:14	*Royaton	10:54	6:27	5:20	
1:32	4:26	7:21	*Hochman	10:45	6:19	5:10	
1:42	4:29	7:24	*Stemms	10:41	6:15	5:00	
2:00	4:42	7:33	Berrien Springs	10:20	6:02	4:42	
2:10	4:50	7:42	*Oakland	10:20	5:53	4:18	
2:30	5:10	8:00	Buchanan	10:00	5:35	4:00	

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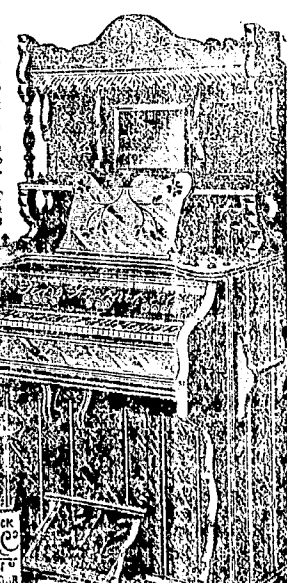
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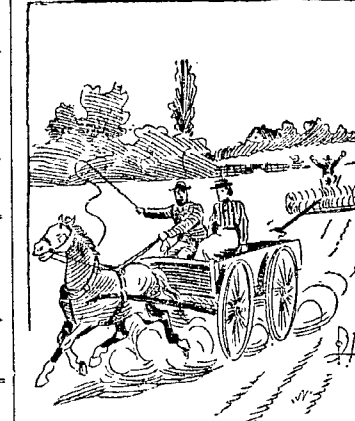
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A PATENT ELOPEMENT.

"A VISITOR, Jabez."

Old Farmer Smith rose from the dinner table and picked up his hat from the side of the chair.
"Who is it, wife?" he asked.
"A young man," she replied.
The farmer's lips set tight as he witnessed a glance which passed between his wife and his daughter.
"I understand," he said, severely, with a determined look at the anxious face of the girl. "That London chap, Leslie Austin."
"Yes, father," she replied.
"I'll settle his business for him," and Farmer Smith strode into the parlor, his heavy boots sounding a death knell to the faint hopes in the sinking heart of pretty, winsome Alice Smith. "So you're here again, eh?"
The brusque interrogatory did not seem to crush the courteous, handsome young man, who arose and faced the farmer.
"Yes, Mr. Smith," was his reply.
"And on the same old errand, I suppose?"
"Yes, sir; I came to ask your consent."
"You can't have it!" interrupted Farmer Smith, savagely. "Alice ain't going to marry you or anybody else, just yet."
"But time—" "You've heard me, Mr. Leslie Austin. You can't have my daughter."
"I love her, Mr. Smith."
"Nonsense! She's too young to know her own mind. I have had my say, and the harvest hands are waiting. Good day, sir!"
Under such determined resistance Leslie Austin retreated. He bit his lips angrily as he walked down the road to the village hotel.
"It's a shame!" decided his friend Bob Townsend, as he heard the disappointed lover's story.
"We think so much of each other," murmured Leslie, mournfully.
"You ain't going to give up this way, are you?" asked Bob.
Leslie looked up inquiringly.
"What else can I do?" he asked.
"Marry her," said Bob.
"Her father won't consent."
"Suppose he don't?"
Leslie started, but shook his head slowly.
"I know what you're hitting at, Bob—an elopement."
"You're right."
"But it could not be."
"Why not?"
"Because Alice is bound to obey her father, and I am, too, for that matter?" Bob scowled impatiently.
"Nonsense!" he aspirated, angrily. "See here, Leslie. If you were the irre-



OLD JABEZ WAS LEFT BEHIND.

sponsible old chap old Smith thinks you, I'd hesitate; but you ain't—you're an honest, well-to-do lawyer, respectably connected, and only laboring under a prejudice on the farmer's part, that because Neighbor Jones' girl married a worthless man from the metropolis all such matches must end similarly."
"Granted."
"Therefore, being in the right, and the old farmer being in one of his mad moods, I'd outwit him."
"How?"
The query was encouraging.
"Run away with Alice," said Bob.
"I can't."
"Why not?"
"Her father watches her too closely."
"That's the only reason, is it?"
"I believe so."
"She's willing?"
"Presumably."
"And you?"
"Oh, Bob, you're talking nonsense! I might as well go back to London and wait until Mr. Smith changes his mind."
"And let some other fellow have Alice? You're a brave lover!"
Leslie was despondent.
"I have a plan, if you're plucky enough to follow it out," suggested Bob.
Leslie's face grew expectant at the hint.
"What is it?" he asked.
"Listen!"
What Bob told the discouraged lover need not be repeated. The subsequent acts of the conspirators afford a sufficient explanation.
It was the next day that faithful Bob reconnoitered the ground and found that Farmer Smith had indeed taken due precaution to prevent his daughter meeting or running away with Leslie.
But Bob managed to get a letter to the fair prisoner—a letter after reading which secretly she manifested her acquiescence to its contents by an intelligent nod to the messenger.
It was the afternoon of the day following, just as Farmer Smith had sent his boys to the town with a load of potatoes, and was seated, resting for an hour or two, on the front porch, with Alice industriously sewing by his side, that a vehicle driven by a single occupant came down the road.

ment as the vehicle came to a stop. It was a kind of skeleton wagon, with a double seat, and behind it was attached a small rubber hose, with several wheels distributed here and there, near the axle.
"In the name of wonder, what have we here?" he said, as he walked to the gate.
The driver sprang down.
"Jabez Smith?" he asked.
The farmer nodded a dignified assent, little dreaming that the bearded stranger was Bob Townsend in disguise.
"I learn from inquiries in the village that you are quite a scientist, Mr. Smith."
Science, of which old Jabez knew nothing, but affected much, was his salient point. Flattered by the stranger's words, he replied, pompously: "I reckon I know something about it."
"I have come, Mr. Smith," said the stranger, "to show you a new motive power for hay rakes."
The farmer's face fell.
"A patent right?" he muttered. "I don't want to buy one," he said, aloud, turning to reenter the house.
"Buy one!" replied the stranger. "This is not for sale, sir," declared Bob, with quiet dignity. "I desire your opinion as a scientist in regard to the principles involved in its construction and operations."
The farmer's face grew pleased again. "Happy to give it, sir. If I can be of any use to the world at large by my knowledge of science—" "Or make your fellow beings happy, you're ready to sacrifice your valuable time—eh, Mr. Smith?" insinuated Bob.
"Certainly, sir."
"You can—you can, believe me, sir," asseverated the wicked conspirator, earnestly and truthfully. "Have you a rake?"
"Yes."
"I'll help you bring it out here, and we'll make a trial trip of this wonderful machine."
A few minutes later the farmer's hayrake was brought out. Bob made much ado of fastening it by a rope to the rear of the vehicle, and the farmer watched him curiously, as he turned the wheels and adjusted the hose to what he called position.
"This hose is an air brake, sir. The idea is, if we can make it do so, to have the rake operate as usual. The air brake might offer a resistance to the ground, push forward the front vehicle, and ventilate the hay. Man and brute creation demand air—why not vehicles?"
"Quite true," replied Jabez, somewhat dubious and perplexed over the apparent uselessness of the machine.
"Utility and nonfragility, Mr. Smith," rattled on Bob, recklessly. "The hypothenuse of the curve of the diameter of the axle, you perceive, has a circumferential effect upon the spheroid concavity of the brake. You will understand these terms, Mr. Smith, as a mathematician and scientist. All ready?"
Farmer Smith, overcome by the lofty words, obeyed mutely, as Bob requested him to get into the rake seat.
"I'll drive the preliminary vehicle," explained Bob, with a serene chuckle at the fun of his oratory, "and you will watch the effect of the air brake—if the friction of the wheels generates air—over yonder stretch of meadow. By the way, is one of your hands around?"
"They've gone to town," replied Jabez, glumly.
He had a vague consciousness that the stranger was a charlatan, for he could not for the life of him see what possible use the clumsy combination of wheels and hose could be.
"Ah, there's a young lady! Your daughter, Mr. Smith, I presume?" said Bob, raising his hat politely. "There must be more weight on the seat of the front vehicle. If you'll let her take her seat beside me, in the interests of science, Mr. Smith?"
He almost lost his dignified gravity as he saw the suspicious look on the old farmer's face.
The last words, "in the interests of science," however, decided Mr. Smith. "Jump in, Alice," he said, desperately.
The stranger whipped up the horse. Old Jabez, in the rake-seat behind, clung on wildly as the horse was driven briskly. He almost fell forward as there was a brake caused by the rope parting. Bob had deftly cut it with a knife.
"Hold on—hold on!" cried old Jabez, as the new motor-power vehicle dashed forward.
He stared blankly as it traversed the field, made a sharp turn to the road, and, gracefully rounding a curve in the highway, disappeared from view.
What did it mean? The boys had taken the horses to town, and he could not start in pursuit; but he grew white as he discerned a fact:
He had been tricked!
He had cooled down considerably when, at nightfall, a carriage drew up before the gate.
He looked grimly up from beneath his shaggy eyebrows as Leslie Austin and pretty, blushing Alice came forward.
Bob, following them, was the first to speak.
"The new motor power took up a new passenger down the road, Farmer Smith," he said, slyly. "You wanted to make mankind happier, neighbor—you've done it."
Jabez made a feint to declare hostilities, then and there, against the conspirators, but he sank back disarmed in his chair as the gentle voice of his wife said, pleadingly:
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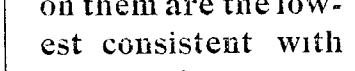
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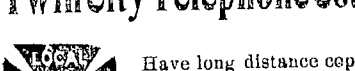
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A VISITOR, Jabez.
Old Farmer Smith rose from the dinner table and picked up his hat from the side of the chair.
"Who is it, wife?" he asked.
"A young man," she replied.
The farmer's lips set tight as he witnessed a glance which passed between his wife and his daughter.
"I understand," he said, severely, with a determined look at the anxious face of the girl. "That London chap, Leslie Austin."

"Yes, father," she replied.
"I'll settle his business for him," and Farmer Smith strode into the parlor, his heavy boots sounding a death knell to the faint hopes in the sinking heart of pretty, winsome Alice Smith. "So you're here again, eh?"
The brusque interrogatory did not seem to crush the courteous, handsome young man, who arose and faced the farmer.

"Yes, Mr. Smith," was his reply.
"And on the same old errand, I suppose?"

"Yes, sir; I came to ask your consent."
"You can't have it!" interrupted Farmer Smith, savagely. "Alice ain't going to marry you or anybody else, just yet."

"But time—" "You've heard me, Mr. Leslie Austin. You can't have my daughter."
"I love her, Mr. Smith."

"Nonsense! She's too young to know her own mind. I have had my say, and the harvest hands are waiting. Good day, sir!"

Under such determined resistance Leslie Austin retreated. He bit his lips angrily as he walked down the road to the village hotel.

"It's a shame!" decided his friend Bob Townsend, as he heard the disappointed lover's story.

"We think so much of each other," murmured Leslie, mournfully.

"You ain't going to give up this way, are you?" asked Bob.

Leslie looked up inquiringly.
"What else can I do?" he asked.

"Marry her," said Bob.
"Her father won't consent."

"Suppose he don't?"
Leslie started, but shook his head slowly.

"I know what you're hitting at, Bob—an elopement."

"You're right."

"But it could not be."

"Why not?"

"Because Alice is bound to obey her father, and I am, too, for that matter?" Bob scowled impatiently.

"Nonsense!" he aspirated, angrily.

"See here, Leslie. If you were the irresponsible old chap old Smith thinks you, I'd hesitate; but you ain't—you're an honest, well-to-do lawyer, respectably connected, and only laboring under a prejudice on the farmer's part, that because Neighbor Jones' girl married a worthless man from the metropolis all such matches must end similarly."

"Granted."

"Therefore, being in the right, and the old farmer being in one of his mad moods, I'd outwit him."

"How?"

The query was encouraging.

"Run away with Alice," said Bob.

"I can't."

"Why not?"

"Her father watches her too closely."

"That's the only reason, is it?"

"I believe so."

"So's willing?"

"Presumably."

"And you?"

"Oh, Bob, you're talking nonsense! I might as well go back to London and wait until Mr. Smith changes his mind."

"And let some other fellow have Alice? You're a brave lover!"

Leslie was despondent.

"I have a plan, if you're plucky enough to follow it out," suggested Bob. Leslie's face grew expectant at the hint.

"What is it?" he asked.

"Listen!"

What Bob told the discouraged lover need not be repeated. The subsequent acts of the conspirators afford a sufficient explanation.

It was the next day that faithful Bob reconnoitered the ground and found that Farmer Smith had indeed taken due precaution to prevent his daughter meeting or running away with Leslie.

But Bob managed to get a letter to the fair prisoner—a letter after reading which secretly she manifested her acquiescence to its contents by an intelligent nod to the messenger.

It was the afternoon of the day following, just as Farmer Smith had sent his boys to the town with a load of potatoes, and was seated, resting for an hour or two, on the front porch, with Alice industriously sewing by his side, that a vehicle driven by a single occupant came down the road.

ment as the vehicle came to a stop. It was a kind of skeleton wagon, with a double seat, and behind it was attached a small rubber hose, with several wheels distributed here and there, near the axle.

"In the name of wonder, what have we here?" he said, as he walked to the gate.

The driver sprang down.
"Jabez Smith?" he asked.

The farmer nodded a dignified assent, little dreaming that the bearded stranger was Bob Townsend in disguise.

"I learn from inquiries in the village that you are quite a scientist, Mr. Smith."

Science, of which old Jabez knew nothing, but affected much, was his salient point. Flattered by the stranger's words, he replied, pompously:

"I reckon I know something about it."

"I have come, Mr. Smith," said the stranger, "to show you a new motive power for hay rakes."

The farmer's face fell.

"A patent right?" he muttered. "I don't want to buy one," he said, aloud, turning to reenter the house.

"Buy one!" replied the stranger. "This is not for sale, sir," declared Bob, with quiet dignity. "I desire your opinion as a scientist in regard to the principles involved in its construction and operations."

The farmer's face grew pleased again. "Happy to give it, sir. If I can be of any use to the world at large by my knowledge of science—"

"Or make your fellow beings happy, you're ready to sacrifice your valuable time—eh, Mr. Smith?" insinuated Bob.

"Certainly, sir."

"You can—you can, believe me, sir," assuaged the wicked conspirator, earnestly and truthfully. "Have you a rake?"

"Yes."

"I'll help you bring it out here, and we'll make a trial trip of this wonderful machine."

A few minutes later the farmer's hayrake was brought out. Bob made much ado of fastening it by a rope to the rear of the vehicle, and the farmer watched him curiously, as he turned the wheels and adjusted the hose to what he called position.

"This hose is an air brake, sir. The idea is, if we can make it do so, to have the rake operate as usual. The air brake might offer a resistance to the ground, push forward the front vehicle, and ventilate the hay. Man and brute creation demand air—why not vehicles?"

"Quite true," replied Jabez, somewhat dubious and perplexed over the apparent uselessness of the machine.

"Utility and nonrefragibility, Mr. Smith," rattled on Bob, recklessly. "The hypothenuse of the curve of the diameter of the axle, you perceive, has a circumferential effect upon the spheroid concavity of the brake. You will understand these terms, Mr. Smith, as a mathematician and scientist. All ready?"

Farmer Smith, overcome by the lofty words, obeyed mutely, as Bob requested him to get into the rake seat.

"I'll drive the preliminary vehicle," explained Bob, with a serene chuckle at the fun of his oratory. "And you will watch the effect of the air brake—if the friction of the wheels generates air over yonder stretch of meadow. By the way, is one of your hands around?"

"They've gone to town," replied Jabez, grudgingly.

He had a vague consciousness that the stranger was a charlatan, for he could not for the life of him see what possible use the clumsy combination of wheels and hose could be.

"Ah, there's a young lady! Your daughter, Mr. Smith, I presume?" said Bob, raising his hat politely. "There must be some weight on the seat of the front vehicle. It you'd let her take her seat beside me, in the interests of science, Mr. Smith?"

He almost lost his dignified gravity as he saw the suspicious look on the old farmer's face.

The last words, "in the interests of science," however, decided Mr. Smith. "Jump in, Alice," he said, hesitatingly.

The stranger whipped up the horse. Old Jabez, in the rake-seat behind, came on willy as the horse was driven briskly. He almost fell forward as there was a brake caused by the rope parting. Bob had deftly cut it with a knife.

"Hold on—hold on!" cried old Jabez, as the new motor-power vehicle dashed forward.

He stared blankly as it traversed the field, made a sharp turn to the road, and, gracefully rounding a curve in the highway, disappeared from view.

What did it mean? The boys had taken the horses to town, and he could not start in pursuit; but he grew white as he discerned a fact:

He had been tricked!

He had cooled down considerably when, at nightfall, a carriage drew up before the gate.

He looked grimly up from beneath his shaggy eyebrows as Leslie Austin and pretty, blushing Alice came forward.

Bob, following them, was the first to speak.

"The new motor power took up a new passenger down the road, Farmer Smith," he said, slyly. "You wanted to make mankind happier, neighbor—you've done it."

Jabez made a feint to declare hostilities, then and there, against the conspirators, but he sank back disarmed in his chair as the gentle voice of his wife said, pleadingly:

"Forgive them, father—they are so happy!"

And Farmer Smith had not the heart to say nay.—Chicago Times-Herald.

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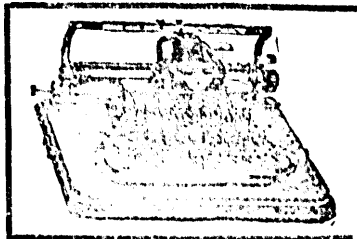
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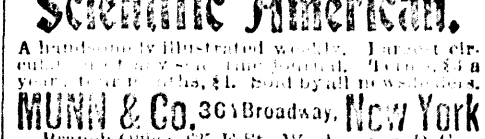
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THE DAY OBSERVED.

Centennial Anniversary of the
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THE CEREMONIES AT MOUNT VERNON.

Masons from All Parts of the Land
Gather at His Tomb—Address by
President McKinley—Ser-
vices at Other Points.

Washington, Dec. 15.—Mount Vernon was the scene Thursday of the most unique and impressive ceremony in its rich and picturesque history. Masons of high degree from all over the United States and Canada met at the tomb of Washington in services commemorating the one hundredth anniversary of the death of the greatest American. President McKinley delivered an eloquent tribute to the memory of the first president, and senators and representatives in congress, high officials of the government and distinguished private citizens were participants and spectators of the solemn service.

Later in the day when the masonic ceremonies had been concluded the Independent Order of Red Men succeeded them in honoring the memory of Washington with the rites of their order.

At night the order supplemented their Mount Vernon ceremonies with elaborate exercises at Convention hall, where patriotic music by the Marine band, songs and addresses formed features of an interesting programme. Great Inchoance George E. Green, of New York, presided, and speeches were made by Past Great Inchoance Charles B. Litchman, of Massachusetts, and Great Prophet Robert T. Daniel, of Georgia. Senator Chauncey M. Depew, of New York, was the orator of the evening.

The masons went from this city to Mount Vernon by steamer. Headed by Col. Robert White, of Wheeling, W. Va., the grand marshal, the procession marched to the wharf and embarked. At Alexandria they were joined by the Federal Grand Lodge of Virginia and the journey to Mount Vernon was resumed. President McKinley left the white house shortly before ten o'clock and was taken to Mount Vernon by a special train on an electric line.

Solemn Procession.

At Mount Vernon the procession was formed in line at the mansion, where President McKinley and other distinguished guests joined it, and moved solemnly to the old vault where first reposed the remains of Washington.

This procession was formed and moved in the exact order and over the same path which was followed at Washington's funeral. Halting at the vault the Third cavalry band played a funeral dirge and Right Rev. A. M. Randolph, bishop of the southern Episcopal diocese of Virginia, offered an invocation. This was followed by an address by the grand master of masons in Colorado, and the procession then moved on to the tomb where the remains of Washington now lie.

Impressive Masonic Services.

Here occurred the impressive services of the masonic ritual. The grand masters of the 13 original states formed in line facing the representatives of the other jurisdictions and the grand lodge and other brethren standing in a circle around the tomb with joined hands. Then the grand master of Virginia called upon each of the jurisdictions in turn for the messages and tributes sent by them.

Wreaths Deposited.

The grand masters then deposited their wreaths and evergreens, and the craft slowly marched past, laying on the tomb their tributes. Upon reaching the mansion the lines were drawn up and President McKinley delivered an address. He was introduced by the grand master of Virginia and delivered an eloquent oration which was listened to in profound and impressive silence.

Speech of President McKinley.

The president said in part: "We have just participated in a service commemorative of the one hundredth anniversary of the death of George Washington. Here at his old home, which he loved so well, and which the patriotic women of the country have guarded with loving hands, exercises are conducted under the auspices of the great fraternity of Masons, which a century ago planned and executed the solemn ceremonial which attended the Father of His Country to his tomb. The lodge in which he was initiated and the one over which he afterwards presided as worshipful master, accorded positions of honor at his obsequies, are to-day represented here in token of profound respect to the memory of their most illustrious member and beloved brother.

"Masons throughout the United States testify anew their reverence for the name of Washington and the inspiring example of his life. Distinguished representatives are here from all the grand lodges of the country to render the ceremonies as dignified and impressive as possible, and most cordial greetings have come from across our borders and from beyond the sea.

A Privilege to Pay Tribute.

"Not alone in this country, but throughout the world, have Masons taken especial interest in the observance of this centennial anniversary. The fraternity justly claims the immortal patriot as one of its members; the whole human family acknowledges him as one of its greatest benefactors. Public bodies, patriotic societies and other organizations, our citizens everywhere, have esteemed it a privilege to-day to pay their tribute to his memory and to the splendor of his achievements in the advancement of justice and liberty among men.

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every part of our country, the now as well as 'the old.'"

The services concluded with a benediction by Brother Ed N. Calisch, rabbi of Beth Ahava synagogue, Richmond, Va.

President McKinley was accompanied to Mount Vernon by all the members of the cabinet now in the city Gen. Miles and Gen. Corbin.

Services Held at New York.

New York, Dec. 15.—In commemoration of the one hundredth anniversary of the death of George Washington services were held in churches and schools and by several patriotic societies of this city Thursday. The memorial services at noon in St. Paul's chapel were held by the Sons of the Revolution and the Society of Cincinnati. It was in St. Paul's that Washington worshiped while the first congress under the constitution was in session in this city, and the pew which he occupied is still preserved. While the services were in progress minute guns were fired at Castle William, on Governor's island.

In Boston.

Boston, Dec. 15.—The death of Washington 100 years ago was appropriately commemorated in Boston. The exercises in observance of the day were held generally indoors, the participants including school children of all grades, patriotic societies and educational and literary organizations. Flags were at half staff on the city hall and on all the schoolhouses.

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The second coin struck off was forwarded to Mrs. McKinley, while the third was given to Mrs. Kate Thyson Marr, of Washington.

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CUT OUT THE MUSIC.

American Federation Delegates Refuse to Banquet to the Straits of a Non-Union Orchestra.

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 15.—The annual banquet of the American Federation of Labor, held in the Griswold house Thursday night, lacked the usual accompaniment of orchestral music. The reason was that the orchestra provided for the dinner was discovered to be non-union. The latter fact was duly reported in the convention, along with a resolution declining the invitation to the banquet tendered by the local committee. Despite assertions of the Detroit men that it was the best they could do under the circumstances, the difficulty would not down until it was announced that the music would be left out of the programme. Nearly all of the session was taken up with discussion and action upon resolutions.

Will Test Silver Issue.

Denver, Col., Dec. 15.—A. W. Rucker, president of the United States Monetary league, has gone to St. Louis, where he will hold a conference with the governors of several states friendly to the free coinage of silver, relative to a suit which is about to be begun by the state of Colorado for the purpose of securing a decision by the United States supreme court as to the legality of the demonetization of silver. The general assembly of the state passed a joint resolution authorizing the governor to take steps to bring this question before the supreme court.

Pingree a Witness.

Lansing, Mich., Dec. 15.—Gov. Pingree was an unwilling witness before the grand jury Thursday, having been subpoenaed just as he was boarding a train for Detroit. He was with the jury for two hours and was asked a number of questions about various transactions of the state military board, responsibility for which he assumed in a special message to the legislature last spring, but as he was unable to remember the details he was of no service to the jury.

Mr. Moody Is Worse.

East Northfield, Mass., Dec. 15.—There is no doubt, viewed even from the most favorable position, that the condition of Dwight L. Moody is critical. Mr. Moody is likely to die within a few days, and then again, if his disease should take a favorable turn, he may live, if he is willing to stop work, for several years.

A Novel Plan.

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 15.—The union reform party has decided not to hold a national convention next year to name candidates for president and vice president, but will select their candidates by a direct mail vote of party members.

Elevator Burned.

Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 15.—The City elevator, a private warehouse, owned by the City Elevator company, capacity about 125,000 bushels, was destroyed by fire Thursday. Loss, \$50,000; insurance not known.

Pleased with Wood.

Santiago de Cuba, Dec. 15.—The news of the appointment of Maj. Gen. Wood as governor of Cuba was received here with enthusiasm. Even the most bitter Cuban nationalists agree in praising him as a soldier and an administrator.

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Ladies' lace trimmed handkerchiefs, closing at	5c
Ladies' fine embroidered handkerchiefs, closing at	10c
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THE DAY OBSERVED.

Centennial Anniversary of the
Death of Washington.

THE CEREMONIES AT MOUNT VERNON.

Masons from All Parts of the Land
Gather at His Tomb—Address by
President McKinley—Services
at Other Points.

Washington, Dec. 15.—Mount Vernon was the scene Thursday of the most unique and impressive ceremony in its rich and picturesque history. Masons of high degree from all over the United States and Canada met at the tomb of Washington in services commemorating the one hundredth anniversary of the death of the greatest American. President McKinley delivered an eloquent tribute to the memory of the first president, and senators and representatives in congress, high officials of the government and distinguished private citizens were participants and spectators of the solemn service.

Later in the day when the masonic ceremonies had been concluded the Independent Order of Red Men succeeded them in honoring the memory of Washington with the rites of their order.

At night the order supplemented their Mount Vernon ceremonies with elaborate exercises at Convention hall, where patriotic music by the Marine band, songs and addresses formed features of an interesting programme. Great Incoherence George E. Green, of New York, presided, and speeches were made by Past Great Incoherence Charles H. Litchman, of Massachusetts, and Great Prophet Robert T. Daniel, of Georgia. Senator Chauncey M. Depew, of New York, was the orator of the evening.

The masons went from this city to Mount Vernon by steamer. Headed by Col. Robert White, of Wheeling, W. Va., the grand marshal, the procession marched to the wharf and embarked. At Alexandria they were joined by the Federal Grand Lodge of Virginia and the journey to Mount Vernon was resumed. President McKinley left the white house shortly before ten o'clock and was taken to Mount Vernon by a special train on an electric line.

Solemn Procession.

At Mount Vernon the procession was formed in line at the mansion, where President McKinley and other distinguished guests joined it, and moved solemnly to the old vault where first reposed the remains of Washington.

This procession was formed and moved in the exact order and over the same path which was followed at Washington's funeral. Halting at the vault the Third cavalry band played a funeral dirge and Right Rev. A. M. Randolph, bishop of the southern Episcopal diocese of Virginia, offered an invocation. This was followed by an address by the grand master of masons in Colorado, and the procession then moved on to the tomb where the remains of Washington now lie.

Impressive Masonic Services.

Here occurred the impressive services of the masonic ritual. The grand masters of the 13 original states formed in line facing the representatives of the other jurisdictions and the grand lodge and other brethren standing in a circle around the tomb with joined hands. Then the grand master of Virginia called upon each of the jurisdictions in turn for the messages and tributes sent by them.

Wreaths Deposited.

The grand masters then deposited their wreaths and evergreens, and the craft slowly marched past, laying on the tomb their tributes. Upon reaching the mansion the lines were drawn up and President McKinley delivered an address. He was introduced by the grand master of Virginia and delivered an eloquent oration which was listened to in profound and impressive silence.

Speech of President McKinley.

The president said in part: "We have just participated in a service commemorative of the one hundredth anniversary of the death of George Washington. Here at his old home, which he loved so well, and which the patriotic women of the country have guarded with loving hands, exercises are conducted under the auspices of the great fraternity of Masons, which a century ago planned and executed the solemn ceremonial which attended the burial of the country's first president. The lodge in which he was initiated and the one over which he afterwards presided as worshipful master, accorded positions of honor at his obsequies, and today represented here in token of profound respect to the memory of their most illustrious member and beloved brother."

"Masons throughout the United States testify anew their reverence for the name of Washington and the inspiring example of his life. Distinguished representatives are here from all the grand lodges of the country to render the ceremonies as dignified and impressive as possible, and most cordial greetings have come from across our borders and from beyond the sea."

A Privilege to Pay Tribute.

"Not alone in this country, but throughout the world, have Masons taken especial interest in the observance of this centennial anniversary. The fraternity justly claims the immortal patriot as one of its members; the whole human family acknowledges him as one of its greatest benefactors. Public bodies, patriotic societies and other organizations, our citizens everywhere, have esteemed it a privilege today to pay their tribute to his memory and to the splendor of his achievements in the advancement of justice and liberty among men."

Was the National Architect.

"During all the intervening years it has been true, forever true, to the precepts of the constitution which he and his illustrious colleagues framed for its guidance and government. He was the national architect, says Banerott, the historian, and but for him the nation could not have achieved its independence, could not have formed its union, could not have put the federal government into operation. He had neither precedent nor predecessor. His work was original and constructive and has successfully stood the severest tests."

"The nation needs at this moment the help of his wise example. In dealing with our vast responsibilities we turn to him. We invoke the counsel of his life and character and courage. We summon his precepts that we may keep his pledges to maintain justice and law, education and morality, and civil and religious liberty in

every part of our country, the new as well as the old."

The services concluded with a benediction by Brother Ed N. Calisch, rabbi of Beth Ahava synagogue, Richmond, Va.

President McKinley was accompanied to Mount Vernon by all the members of the cabinet now in the city Gen. Miles and Gen. Corbin.

Services Held at New York.

New York, Dec. 15.—In commemoration of the one hundredth anniversary of the death of George Washington services were held in churches and schools and by several patriotic societies of this city Thursday. The memorial services at noon in St. Paul's chapel were held by the Sons of the Revolution and the Society of Cincinnati. It was in St. Paul's that Washington worshiped while the first congress under the constitution was in session in this city, and the pew which he occupied is still preserved. While the services were in progress minute guns were fired at Castle William, on Governor's island.

In Boston.

Boston, Dec. 15.—The death of Washington 100 years ago was appropriately commemorated in Boston. The exercises in observance of the day were held generally indoors, the participants including school children of all grades, patriotic societies and educational and literary organizations. Flags were at half staff on the city hall and on all the schoolhouses.

THE LA FAYETTE DOLLAR.

First Coin Struck at the Philadelphia Mint—To Be Presented to President of France.

Philadelphia, Dec. 15.—The first Lafayette dollar, the unique specimen authorized by congress in aid of the fund for the erection of the Lafayette monument in Paris, was struck off at the United States mint in this city. This coin will be presented by the president of the United States to the president of France. Fifty thousand of the coins will be struck and are to be disposed of at a cost of two dollars apiece.

The second coin struck off was forwarded to Mrs. McKinley, while the third was given to Mrs. Kate Tyson Marr, of Washington.

The coin is a legal tender dollar and bears upon its face a double medallion of the heads of Washington and LaFayette, and on the reverse a miniature reproduction of the equestrian statue of LaFayette, with the inscription, "In commemoration of monument erected by school youth of the United States to Gen. LaFayette, Paris, France, 1900."

CUT OUT THE MUSIC.

American Federation Delegates Refuse to Banquet to the Strains of a Non-Union Orchestra.

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 15.—The annual banquet of the American Federation of Labor, held in the Griswold house Thursday night, lacked the usual accompaniment of orchestral music. The reason was that the orchestra provided for the dinner was discovered to be non-union. The latter fact was duly reported in the convention, along with a resolution declining the invitation to the banquet tendered by the local committee. Despite assertions of the Detroit men that it was the best they could do under the circumstances, the difficulty would not down until it was announced that the music would be left out of the programme. Nearly all of the session was taken up with discussion and action upon resolutions.

Will Test Silver Issue.

Denver, Col., Dec. 15.—A. W. Rucker, president of the United States Monetary league, has gone to St. Louis, where he will hold a conference with the governors of several states friendly to the free coinage of silver, relative to a suit which is about to be begun by the state of Colorado for the purpose of securing a decision by the United States supreme court as to the legality of the demonetization of silver. The general assembly of the state passed a joint resolution authorizing the governor to take steps to bring this question before the supreme court.

Pingree a Witness.

Lansing, Mich., Dec. 15. Gov. Pingree was an unwilling witness before the grand jury Thursday, having been subpoenaed just as he was boarding a train for Detroit. He was with the jury for two hours and was asked a number of questions about various transactions of the state military board, responsibility for which he assumed in a special message to the legislature last spring, but as he was unable to remember the details he was of no service to the jury.

Mr. Moody Is Worse.

East Northfield, Mass., Dec. 15.—There is no doubt, viewed even from the most favorable position, that the condition of Dwight L. Moody is critical. Mr. Moody is likely to die within a few days, and then again, if his disease should take a favorable turn, he may live, if he is willing to stop work, for several years.

A Novel Plan.

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 15.—The union reform party has decided not to hold a national convention next year to name candidates for president and vice president, but will select their candidates by a direct mail vote of party members.

Elevator Burned.

Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 15.—The City elevator, a private warehouse, owned by the City Elevator company, capacity about 125,000 bushels, was destroyed by fire Thursday. Loss, \$50,000; insurance not known.

Pleased with Wood.

Santiago de Cuba, Dec. 15.—The news of the appointment of Maj. Gen. Wood as governor of Cuba was received here with enthusiasm. Even the most bitter Cuban nationalists agree in praising him as a soldier and an administrator.

Going Out of Business!

Tremendous Closing Out Sale of

\$25,000

Worth of Dry Goods, Silks,
CLOAKS, LINENS, Etc.

This is a genuine closing out sale at the

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Black Dress Goods at Importers' Prices.

36 in English Henriettas, 29c, closing at	19c
36 in French Plaided Henriettas, 35c, closing at	23c
40 in Brocade/Suitings, 44 cents, closing at	29c
40 in Brocade Brilliantine, 65c, closing at	44c
45 in Fine French All Wool Serge, 69c, closing at	49c
45 in Fine Silk Finished Serge, 89c, closing at	69c
45 in All-wool Melrose Cloth, \$1.10, closing at	85c
45 in Fine All-wool French Cheviot, 75c, closing at	49c
50 in Fine All-wool Broadcloth, 75c, closing at	50c
54 in Fine All-wool Broadcloth, \$1, closing at	75c
54 in Fine All-wool French Broadcloth, \$1.45, closing at	\$1.00
All our \$2 and \$2.25 Fine Crepons, closing at	\$1.60
250 Black Dress Goods Remnants, from one to five yards at half the regular price.	

All of Our Ladies' Misses', and
Children's

..CLOAKS..

Sold at Manufacturers' Cost,

Children's Cloaks, \$1.75, closing out at	\$1 00
Children's Cloaks, \$2.25, closing out at	1 50
Children's Cloaks, \$3.25, closing at	2 25
Children's Cloaks, \$4, closing at	2 48
Children's Cloaks, \$5.50, closing at	3 95
Children's Cloaks, \$6.50, closing at	4 55
All our finer grades of Children's Cloaks will be closed out at less than cost.	
Ladies' fine Beaver Jackets, \$5 50, closing at	3 50
Ladies' fine Boucle Jackets, 6 00, closing at	3 98
Ladies' fine Melton Beaver Jackets, 9 00, closing at	6 50
Ladies' fine Beaver Jackets, \$12, closing at	8 00
Ladies' fine Boucle Jackets, \$9, closing at	6 39
All our \$14, \$16, \$20 Jackets, closing at \$9 and \$10.	

Ladies', Gents' and Children's
Handkerchiefs

Children's fancy handkerchiefs, closing at	1c
Ladies' hemstitched handkerchiefs, closing at	4c
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Take a day off occasionally and your years will accumulate more slowly.—Chicago Daily News.

After Marriage.
Two is company—until they become one, then it seems more like a crowd.—Chicago Daily News.

Worst Thing About Poverty.
An impecunious man says the worst thing about poverty is its abundance.—Chicago Daily News.

Just Saved His Life.
It was a thrilling escape that Charles Davis of Bowerston, O., lately had from a frightful death. For two years a severe lung trouble constantly grew worse until it seemed he must die of consumption. Then he began to use Dr. King's New Discovery and lately wrote: "It gave instant relief and effected a permanent cure." Such wonderful cures have for 25 years, proven it's power to cure all Throat, Chest and Lung troubles. Price 50c and \$1.00. Every bottle guaranteed. Trial bottles 10c at Lowe & Witherspoon's drug store.

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It is equal to most winter wheat patents. Try a sack, all leading grocers keep it.

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All kinds of light draying and wood and coal delivered. Twin City 'phone, 11; Bell 'phone 328. 1111 W. R. KENNEDY.

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We are headquarters for everything in the meat line, oysters and fish. Get our prices. See our stock. We can save you money.

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LOCAL BREVITIES

THE sub boat Frank Woods is in today.

L. W. MILBOURNE has a new Twin City 'phone. His number is 528.

W. E. KENNEDY talks of opening a branch jewelry store in Eau Claire.

THE Epworth League of the Methodist church will give a social this evening at the home of J. H. Herr, Lincoln street. Every one is cordially invited.

BUTZBACH & Kidd, the fruit dealers, received a fine line of fancy eating apples today for the holiday trade. It will pay you to look over their line of goods.

CRISP & McCollough, the new firm now running the meat market formerly conducted by Rowe Bros., are painting and renovating the shop and when completed will have one of the neatest shops in town.

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GREAT CHALK ARTIST

Frank Beard Will Appear Here Next Wednesday Evening.

Frank Beard will give the third entertainment in the Methodist lecture course next Wednesday evening.

Frank Beard, whose cartoons in Judge and Puck and illustrations for Harper's, Scribner's Century, and many other prominent periodicals, have made his name and genius familiar to thousands. Since he made his debut as a lecturer, he has been in constant demand, though "lecture" scarcely conveys the right impression of the entertainment. To form an accurate idea, it should be seen and heard. It is a pleasant, sparkling, genial discourse about the mysteries of picture making, just such as a real good-natured fellow like Frank Beard might give to an intimate friend who desires to know the secret of "how he made those funny things called Comics." To illustrate his talk he makes a lot of pictures in the presence of the audience; and so rapidly do these appear as familiar objects, or change with a few strokes to entirely different forms, that the looker-on is always pleasantly excited to see "what that's going to be." Mr. Beard displays incidentally many of the secrets of art, which cannot fail to be of great advantage to many of his spectators who are desirous of wielding the pencil. The discourse is fairly overflowing with original humor, but it is needless to say to any familiar with the lecturer, there is nothing rude or indelicate. It is places like Chautauqua and the most cultured audiences, that have received the entertainment with the most appreciation. Should any of our readers have the opportunity of attending, we are confident they will find it a pleasant evening and enjoy some of the common run.

THE Metropolitan life insurance company have gotten out one of the most beautiful calendars of the season, and it would be a fitting adornment for the most fastidious parlor. The calendar frames a life like scene of four handsome children taking lunch.

Eau Claire bulletin: The West Michigan nursery company made their annual invoice at their Eau Claire farm Monday, December 11, preparatory to their annual meeting held at their Benton Harbor office Tuesday, January 2. This company has had a very prosperous year and bids fair to become one of the largest industries of Berrien county.

The business department of the college organized a debating club last evening and elected the following officers: Mr. Geisler, president; James Randall, first vice president; Harry Hayes, second vice president; secretary and treasurer, Miss Lena Whitman. They chose for their debate next Thursday evening: "Should the Philippine Islands be Annexed to the United States?" of which Mr. Geisler and Mr. Hollirake are chiefs.

The Old Man Knew.
Her Irate Parent (to youth who has tarried late of an evening)—Young man, do you know it is past 11 o'clock?

The Tarrying Youth—Yes, sir. But she has been sitting on my hat for the past two hours and I didn't want to tell her.

"Then hereafter don't keep your hat on your lap. Jang it on the peg in the hall."—Philadelphia Call.

That Let Him Out.
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Ladies' jacket, worth \$4.00 for..... \$2 39
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The salt boat Frank Woods is in today.

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W. E. KENNEDY talks of opening a branch jewelry store in Eau Claire.

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BUTZBACH & Kidd, the fruit dealers, received a fine line of fancy eating apples today for the holiday trade. It will pay you to look over their line of goods.

CRISP & McCollough, the new firm now running the meat market formerly conducted by Rowe Bros., are painting and renovating the shop and when completed will have one of the neatest shops in town.

WILLIAM Rantzen, the wholesale candy manufacturer, is shipping on an average of about a ton of candy a day. He is using Wolverine sugar and says that it is the best he has had, it being

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THE Metropolitan life insurance company have gotten out one of the most beautiful calendars of the season, and it would be a fitting adornment for the most fastidious parlor. The calendar frames a life-like scene of four handsome children taking lunch.

Eau Claire bulletin: The West Michigan nursery company made their annual invoice at their Eau Claire farm Monday, December 11, preparatory to their annual meeting held at their Benton Harbor office Tuesday, January 2. This company has had a very prosperous year and bids fair to become one of the largest industries of Berrien county.

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The Old Man Knew.

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Drinking Water from Bottom of Sea.

The people who live on the southwestern coast of Persia depend for drinking water entirely on springs which gush out at the bottom of the Persian gulf more than a mile from shore. The water is secured by divers, who go down with goatskin bags, which they fill before the fresh water becomes impregnated with salt. The residents are unable to strike water on shore, even by sinking wells to a depth of 500 feet. In addition to the scarcity of water the country inhabited by these unfortunates holds the record for the hottest temperature ever recorded. For 40 days during July and August last the thermometer never dropped below 100 degrees, night or day.—Chicago Tribune.

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brigade, was found dead near the
trenches, shot in the chest and thigh.
A few wounded were found near the
trenches. Several wounded Boers were
taken to the British hospital. The side
of the hill and the immediate neighbor-
hood of the Boer trenches showed dead
bodies all about. One wounded Boer in-
formed a correspondent that their loss
was terrible. The whole Scandinavian
contingent was destroyed. Judging
from information gleaned from the
Boer wounded and from prisoners taken
in different parts of the field, the Boer
losses must exceed 700. The destruc-
tion wrought by the naval guns was
enormous. Word was passed along the
Boer lines to prepare to retreat at night-
fall. All confess that it was their great-
est loss during the war.
Taken by Surprise.
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of the Standard at Modder river, de-
scribing the fight at Magersfontein,
says:
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stronghold. It is not yet clear through-
out the campaign the force, which was led
by Gen. Buller, came upon the Boer trenches
so unexpectedly and so suddenly. Beyond
question the Boers were aware of the ap-
proach of the British and had prepared to
receive them. According to one version,
two Highlanders, through nervousness or
clumsiness, discharged their rifles prema-
turely; but it is equally probable that the
advance Boer scouts conveyed the in-
telligence. Our men were totally unpre-
pared. They had not even fixed bayonets.
The disaster was all the more exasperating
because of the consciousness that, had the
brigade been extended and with bayonets
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London, Dec. 15.—A special dispatch
received here from Weenen, Natal,
dated Monday, December 11, says that
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sortie and destroyed the Modderspruit
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Buller Expected to Strike.
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still without news from Ladysmith
other than that already published. The
general belief is that the large Boer
forces Lord Methuen encountered at
Magersfontein were partly drawn from
Natal, and that Gen. Buller will strike
a blow before these have time to re-
turn. The newspapers are calling up-
on the government to employ the Can-
nada as transports, seeing the urgent ne-
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Cape as speedily as possible. Forty
thousand men could still be sent from
England without calling upon the
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effective is 100,000, and from this body
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be spared for South Africa. Moreover,
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Escape of Churchill.
London, Dec. 15.—Winston Churchill,
who was captured by the Boers at Cheve-
ley and taken to Pretoria, where he
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caped.
PURSUIT OF AGUINALDO.
Search by Maj. March in the Hills—
The Rebel Chief Said to Be
Wounded.
Cayan, Luzon, P. I., Dec. 7 (via courier
to Manila, Dec. 15).—Maj. March,
with his battalion of Thirty-third in-
fantry, left Cayan yesterday morning,
climbing the mountains to Baguen, a
village of the Igorrates, or primitive
mountain people, which is situated at
an altitude of 8,500 feet. There he
learned that Aguinaldo left Bontoc
three days before, going toward Tatu-
bin, to the eastward, having in view as
his destination the valley of Quiangan,
to the south, or the city of Bayom-
hong, beyond it. He and his small es-
cort traveled with relays of fresh
horses. Maj. March found it impos-
sible to subsist his command during a
long stern chase across the mountains,
and, considering Aguinaldo's many op-
portunities of hiding if closely pressed
by his pursuers, he concluded to turn
back. A Spanish friar brings the story
that Aguinaldo was wounded by the
Igorrates near Bontoc, the mountain
people being entirely lacking in sym-
pathy with the native insurrection and
having rebelled against Aguinaldo for
the treatment which he and his follow-
ers have accorded them during the
present flight. The story is not con-

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Beans Corn.....	.25	4 lbs. Good Rice.....
Beans Sardines.....	.25	Coffee per pound.....
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Christmas Dance at Sister Lakes.
A Christmas dance will be held at the Forest Home hall, Sister Lakes, on Christmas night. Also a similar party on New Year's night. Music will be furnished by the Beckwith Memorial theatre orchestra. Dance bill, 50 cents, upper, 25 cents. G. W. Adams is the proprietor. 6344

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The location of the house is exactly what the admiral desired. In Rhode Island avenue, it is in the very center of social Washington. The Metropolitan club and the Army and Navy club, two favorite resorts of the admiral, are only a short walk from his door, and the navy department and the white house are almost as near. Just around the corner is the Italian embassy, and on the opposite side of Connecticut avenue are the British embassy and the Brazilian legation. The legation of Austria-Hungary is a few doors away, in Rhode Island avenue, and Secretary of War Root lives a square away, in Rhode Island avenue.

One of the special requests made by the admiral of the Dewey home committee was that the house selected should front the south, and this condition is fully met in the new home. The house is built of brick, with brown stone trimmings. It is 27 feet wide and 72 feet deep, with a rear yard 40 feet deep, extending to an alley. There is no stable, but the admiral has arranged for the purchase of a stable on an adjoining lot for the accommodation of his horses and carriages.

There are 17 rooms and four bathrooms in the house—quite enough for



ADMIRAL DEWEY'S HOME. (Known as No. 177 Rhode Island Avenue, Washington, D. C.)

the establishment of the admiral. The entire first floor is divided into three large rooms, separated from each other by sliding doors. The parlor with a spacious bay window, is finished in white and gold. Back of this is the library, finished in old quartered oak, and back of this is the dining-room, finished in mahogany. The two upper floors are arranged as sleeping apartments.

Though the admiral could have an office in the navy department building if he wished it, he does not intend to avail himself of this privilege. His office will be in his house, and he will have the back rooms on the second floor fitted up with desks and office furniture for himself and his aid and secretary. He will have a telephone in his office by which he can communicate with the navy department.

Mr. James E. Fitch, from whom the house was purchased six months ago, was offered \$50,000 for the house unfurnished. He has now sold it to the committee for the same amount, including the furniture. Most of the furniture will be retained in the house just as Mr. Fitch left it. One piece, however, that Admiral Dewey would like very much to have retained—an old-fashioned hall clock—Mr. Fitch stipulated at the time of the sale should not remain in the house. The admiral has told his friends that he intends to buy a similar clock to replace it.

Offers to supply the house with a piano have been made by nearly all the prominent piano manufacturers of the United States. The first offer of this kind was received from a Boston establishment. It was accepted by the committee, and the factory is now at work on the finest piano that it can turn out. Other suitable furniture is being contributed by manufacturers who preferred to put their contributions to the fund in this form.

Admiral Dewey is having none of the trouble that usually attends the organization of a household of servants for a new establishment. He retained two of the servants who had been in the Fitch house, and, with the consent of the landlord of the Everett, where he lived when last on duty in Washington, he takes to his new home four servants from that establishment.

With a true sailor's instinct, says the New York Herald, the admiral's first thoughts were for his coal and stores. The next day after the selection had been made, and even before the transfer of the house was completed, he ordered a full supply of coal and arranged for supplies, but I kinds for his table. With Hazel for pilies and counterfolts. (G

HERO OF THE BRAZOS.

A Texas Farm Hand Who Saved Many Lives in the Recent Floods.

Near the city of Hempstead, in Texas, there lives a farm-hand who has proved himself a hero of peace, and whose name should be remembered by the people of his country with all the gratitude they willingly bestow upon the heroes of our armies, says Youth's Companion.

One of the great rivers of Texas is the Brazos, a stream subject to great floods, which often rise so suddenly that the people living near it have no time to escape the rush of the waters.

In early times a colony of Franciscan friars established a mission on a mound near the bank of the river. They built a church and a village, and taught the neighboring Indians. A hostile tribe, however, swept over the country, ravaging and burning, and there seemed to be no salvation for the friars and their converts behind the feeble defenses of their mound. But of a sudden the waters of the river rose, and terrible floods swept away the savages and saved the little garrison.

Then the friars, so the story goes, saw plainly the working of the Lord, and they called the river which had enveloped them Los Brazos de Dios—The Arms of God.

But the Brazos is not always merciful. During the recent floods in Texas its waters played a mighty part in the destruction of life and property. One night, as the flood was beginning to overspread the farming lands a young man named Fritz McGee was awakened by the distant roar. He rose, hurried out, and after some difficulty, secured a single frail rowboat and started alone on the work of rescue.

All through that terrible night he worked among the negro cabins scattered over the flooded bottoms, and before morning he had rescued 75 human beings, men, women and children, and had conveyed them to high and safe ground.

It is doubtful whether a single man ever before saved so many lives, one by one, in so short a time. Fritz McGee, farm hand, rowing his fragile skiff through the darkness over the turbulent water, is a figure to stir the noblest feelings.

HUMANITY OF MODERN WAR.

Boer War Furnishes Some Comfort in Showing an Absence of Savage Methods of Fighting.

It is pleasing to record the fact that the war in South Africa is being conducted by the Boers in a humane manner, remarks the Baltimore American. These people have been described as somewhat rough, but they appear to be square fighters. If they have followed the teachings of their Uncle Paul, who relies strongly upon the eighty-third Psalm, they must be religious. Gen. Kock, a Boer warrior, when he had before him some British prisoners the other day, was in such an unexcited state of mind and body that he ate a mutton chop while holding court. It may have been a chop of English mutton grown on the Transvaal soil. British officers captured were sent north on the railroad, traveling as first-class passengers at Uncle Paul's expense, of course, and two wounded officers had a whole compartment to themselves.

There has been no report of the savage style of fighting. Even Kaffirs in these days are supposed to use the mauser rifle, instead of the spear and the assegai. All the world knows how poor Prince Napoleon was treated by the savages in Zululand years ago. Since that time the world has made progress, even in South Africa. If there must be fighting, everybody likes to see it done in a square, stand-up fashion. The men who lose in such warfare are not discredited by defeat.

USE OF THE HUMP.

The Satisfactory Answer That Was Given an Inquisitive Stranger at the Zoo.

There are some men in this world who can answer any question that is put to them, and sometimes when they do not really know what they are talking about they will give answers that are not at all bad. One of these persons was once a keeper of the London zoo. He was pestered to death by the questions which people asked, but he always gave an answer. On a recent occasion a countryman strolled in, and, after looking curiously at the camel for a few moments, he turned to the keeper and said:

"I say, mister, what's he have a hump for?"

"What does he have a hump for?" repeated the keeper.

"Yes. What's the good of it?" asked the visitor.

"Why—or—it makes a camel of him, of course," replied the keeper after some hesitation. "People wouldn't travel miles to see him if he didn't have that hump. Fact is, without it, he might as well be a cow."

The stranger departed very well satisfied.

Pencils Made from Slate Dust.

Pencils from slate dust molded by hydraulic pressure are made in large quantities in Tennessee. They are much more popular than the solid-cut slate pencils. One concern last year made 25,000,000 molded pencils.

Changed Meaning of "Libel."

Libel once had no reference to anything offensive, but simply meant a small book or pamphlet. But pamphlet wars, which often were nothing but printed foul attacks, changed its meaning.

Most Odorous Roses.

An analyst has made the discovery that California roses contain 20 per cent. more perfume than those grown elsewhere.

VERY CLOSE SHAVE.

A Burglary Story Which Is Quite Out of the Ordinary.

Drummer Carries a Gold Watch as the Souvenir of an Occasion That Came Near Sending Him to the Penitentiary.

"This watch was part of the spoils of a burglary in which I participated in 1881," said a guest in the St. Charles lobby to a New Orleans Times-Democrat reporter, drawing out a handsome gold timepiece with a curious spiral pattern engraved in heavy relief on the lid. "It was my first affair of the kind, and I regret to say I bungled it and got caught almost immediately. What is the joke, did you ask? There is no joke; it is perfectly true. It happened like this: In the fall of '81, when I was quite young and green, I got a job traveling for a Chicago grocery house, and one of the first places I visited was a small town in northern Ohio. I arrived about 11 at night, and went out to take a stroll and smoke a cigar before going to bed. Passing through a side street, I noticed a light in the little jewelry store, and also that the door was ajar. That reminded me I had recently broken the mainspring of my watch, and I sauntered in to leave it for repairs. As I entered a young man arose from the further end of the counter, but happened to remember some things that had been left out of the safe, and returned to put them back. When I handed him my watch I asked him to give me another to wear in the meantime, and he gave me one at random from a tray on the counter. This is it on my chain now."

"Next morning," continued the storyteller, "I was lounging in the hotel office, when the town marshal tapped me on the shoulder. "Let me see your watch," he said. "I pulled it out mechanically, and was at once placed under arrest on the charge of robbing the jewelry store. It seemed that it had been burglarized during the night, and somebody in the hotel had noticed my peculiar-looking watch and reported it to the police. It was promptly identified as part of the stolen goods, and, needless to say, my story of its acquisition was laughed to scorn. I was obliged to admit that it seemed a little gauzy myself, and I can't say I blame the authorities for declining to give it credence. At any rate, I found myself in the deuce of a fix. My old watch had been carried off by the thief, and there was absolutely nothing to confirm my statement except the bare fact that none of the other goods was found in my possession. That, however, went for very little, for it was argued that I had abundant time to conceal my plunder. In my agitation and excitement I must have presented a perfect picture of guilt, and the townspeople came near mobbing me on my way to jail. They kept me there exactly three hours, the agony of which will dwell with me if I live to be a hundred. Meanwhile the sure-enough burglar had been bagged in an adjoining town, with all the loot, including my timepiece, in his valise, and when I was finally released he was bundled into my cell. If he hadn't been caught I don't know what might have happened. I don't like to think about it. The authorities made groveling apologies, and the jeweler was especially abject. To placate me he offered to let me keep the new watch in exchange for my old one, and I accepted the proposition. I carry it as a sort of tragicomic souvenir."

Explosive Potatoes.

A peculiar explosion occurred the other day at the home of Mrs. R. S. Garrett at Owenton. She had some potatoes baking in a stove. In the oven was also a roast of beef and other good things. Without warning an explosion occurred, blowing open the oven door. The roast came tumbling out of the oven, followed by other eatables. Upon investigation it developed that a mided Irish tuber had swelled up and let go. A similar accident occurred near Monterey, in which a potato exploded in a kettle, throwing hot water on the lady of the house and seriously scalding her.

Mysterious Ways.

A correspondent of the N. Santa Constitution from Clinch county sent the following the other day: "Brother Jones prayed for rain six days on a stretch, and when the rain came he was the first man to be drowned in it. The ways of providence are past finding out."

Cooperative Moorehead.

The little town of Moorehead, Kan., has a cooperative hotel, laundry, hall, creamery and canning factory and a cooperative dining hall, with several cooperative farms near by.

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SOCIETY AND PERSONAL

C. M. Edick returned last night from short business trip.

Mrs. SinClair, of Chicago, is the guest of her son Fred SinClair.

Dr. Six and wife, of Lawrence, visited A. W. Wiggins and family yesterday.

Miss Mabel Hayes of Ligonier, Ind. returned to her home today. Miss Hays has been employed at C. B. Warren's millinery parlors.

Will Burkett goes to Marion, Indiana tomorrow to spend a few days with relatives there.

Henry Miller of Berrien Springs is in the city today taking the baths at the Excelsior Mineral Bath House.

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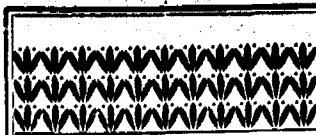
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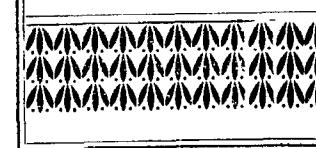
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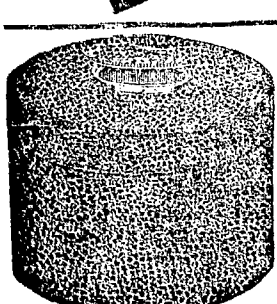
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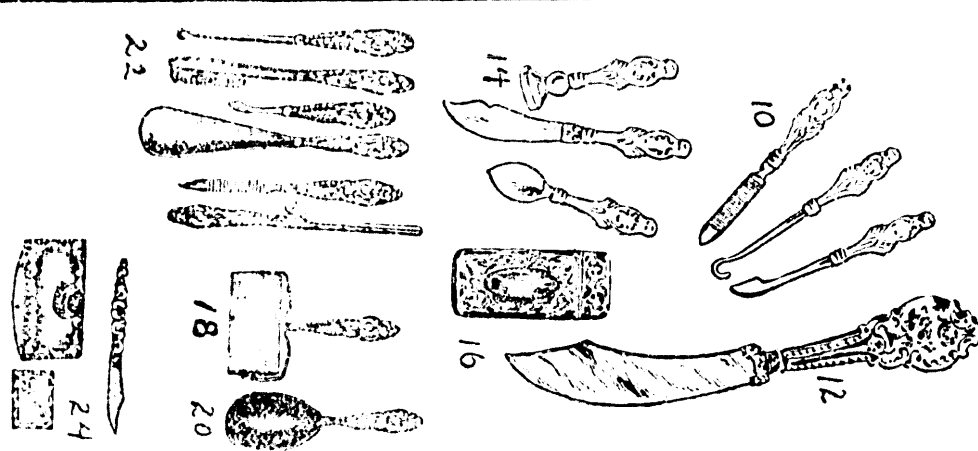
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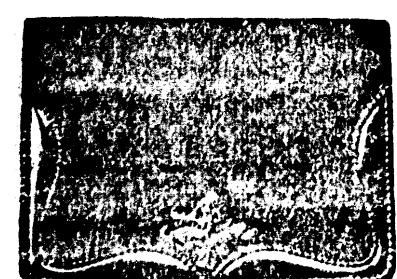
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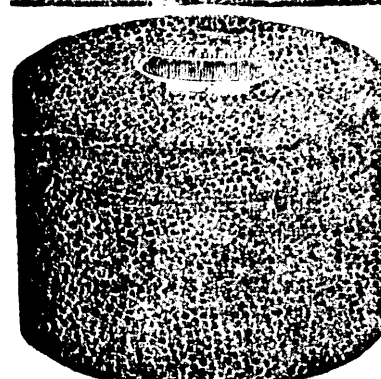
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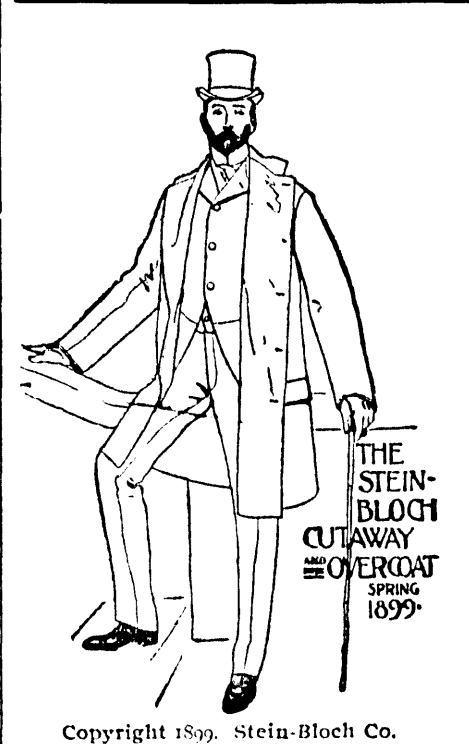
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Make elegant Christmas presents. Black and colored Dress Goods at tempting prices.
Mohair an Silk Crepons, Blister Crepons, new lot and prices from 50c up to \$2.50 per yard.
52 inch all wool double warp Cheviot Serges, price \$1, for 75c.
All wool French Broadcloth, all colors, for \$1 per yd.
About 50 pieces of colored novelty Dress Goods, all new styles, worth 50 and 60c, for 39c.

Plaids

A nice line of Plaids for 10c a yd., regular price 15c a yd.

Silks for Gifts

We made a silk purchase from a large eastern house, stock bought for 50c on the dollar. They are swell styles and have marked goods very cheap.

Cloak Department

We have reduced prices so as to permit you to make a gift of high grade garments:

Jackets we sold for \$10, now \$7.50.
Jackets we sold for \$12 now \$9.98.
Jackets we sold for \$16.50 and \$15. now \$11.98.
Golf Capes, made of fancy golf material in plaids and beautiful colorings, worth \$12, our price \$8.98.



One Lot Misses' Jackets

Choice of about 100 Children's Jackets, good style for \$3.98.

Silk Waists

We have a new and complete line made especially for our holiday trade. Fit and workmanship guaranteed, price \$5.00.

Dress Skirts

Made from Cheviots, Plaids, Crepons, prices reduced to \$3.98.



Large Line of ..Millinery

Chic.
Beautiful and
Cheap...

Also Embroidery Silks, Battenberg De- signs and materials.

Ladies' Outing Flannel Gowns

Well made and full size for 50c. Ladies' Outing Flannel Underskirts for 25c, lace trimmed 50c.



How About an Umbrella?

A very extensive assortment received today direct from the makers. Exquisite and novel handles, prices are very interesting. For example, a good umbrella for \$1 00 and up to \$7 50 each.

Gloves for Gifts

Guess it is safe to say no such assortment ever entered this town before, 3 clasp gloves special for \$1 00 in all colors. Ask to see our real kid glove for \$1 50 They are beauties.

Furs for Presents

Here is a chance for prospective gift givers. Whether your purse bulges or not you will find something in stock to suit you and the recipient. All prices reduced. Collarettes as low as \$1 98 and up to \$35 00

Linen for Gifts

To be sure. What is more acceptable to a housekeeper than a dainty linen set? Damask 72 inches wide, \$1 00 a yard and napkins to match. Fine linen towels at 25, 50 and 75c and up.

Blankets, Comforts

Serviceable Christmas presents. Fancy blankets, white wool blankets, gray blankets, white wool blankets soft finish, large sizes, price \$5 00 a pair. Fancy cotton blankets (fleece) at 48c, 59c, 75c and up to \$1 50 a pair. Comforts at 75c. \$1 00 \$1 50 and up to \$3 00 each.

Holiday Dressing Sacques

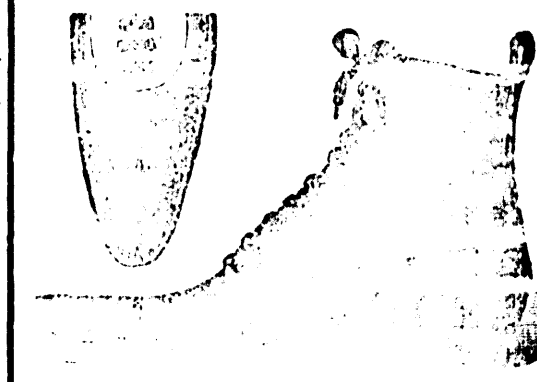
Ladies' Elderdown Dressing Sacques in pink, red, blue, gray and fancy stripes at \$1.00, \$1.50 and \$2.00.

Christmas Handkerchiefs

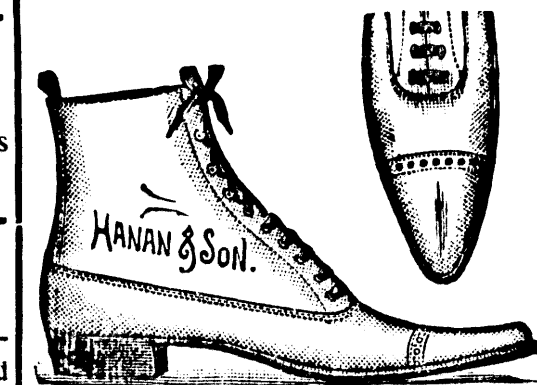
The largest stock in Southwestern Michigan. Women's hemstitched, embroidered edge at 10, 12, 15, 25, 50c and up to \$2.00 each. Women's scalloped and embroidered edge, 5, 10, 12, 15, 25c and up to \$2.00. Men's pure linen handkerchiefs at 15, 25 and 50c. Men's Japanese silk handkerchiefs, 25, 50, 75c and up to \$1.00. Handkerchiefs for the children.

Heralding the Approach of Christmastide

And the many beautiful adaptations for that festive occasion in satin, felts, kid and calf slippers for house and dancing carried for your convenience. Don't forget that we have holiday goods in the Shoe Department. Call and see the fine display of Slippers for gentlemen, ladies, misses and children all values, kinds and styles.



Some striking beauties in ladies' satins, prices \$1.00 to \$1.50.
Some striking beauties in ladies' fur trimmed slippers for \$1.50.
Some striking beauties in misses' fur trimmed slippers for \$1.00.
Some striking beauties in child's fur trimmed slippers for 90c.
A fine lot of gentlemen's Romeo slippers in tan and black at \$1.50.
A fine lot of gentlemen's fine leather and patent slippers from 60c to \$2.00.
A fine lot of gentlemen's fine dancing pumps at \$1.75.
A large stock of men's box calf shoes, worth \$3.00, at \$1.98.
A large stock of men's tan calf shoes, worth \$3.00, at \$1.98.
A large stock of men's rubber boots, \$2.50, \$2.70, \$2.90. Snag proof, \$3.40.
One lot of men's rubbers at 49c per pair.
One lot ladies' fine shoes, fancy vesting and kid tops, at \$2.50.
One lot ladies' fine box calf shoes from \$2.49 to \$3.50.
One lot ladies' winter tan shoes at \$2.49.
Our overgaiters and leggings are just the thing for this kind of weather, from 25c to \$1.50 each.
New lot of men's canvas leggings, heavy duck, at 50, 65 and 75c.
Your especial attention is called to our general stock of nice up-to-date footwear for gentlemen, ladies, misses, boys and children.



ENDERS & YOUNG'S BIG DEPARTMENT STORES BENTON HARBOR, MICH.